

# From News Photographers On World-Wide War Fronts



**WAR VICTIMS GET A HELPING HAND**—Canadian tank men assist two aged Italian women to pick their way through rubble-strewn street to their ruined homes in the artillery-battered town of Ortona, Italy.



**FORTRESSES FIND THEIR PLACE IN THE SUN**—Spectacularly illuminated by sun streaks through a layer of sub-stratosphere clouds, B17s are shown flying on a mission over the North Sea at an altitude of 16,000 feet. A second cloud layer, high-lighted below the bombers, looks like the surface of another planet.



**MARINES LAND ON CAPE GLOUCESTER, NEW BRITAIN**—Their huge bow doors open, these LST's make impressive sight on beach at Cape Gloucester, New Britain, as Marines disembark from the craft. Other newly-arrived invaders march up beach to take positions at fighting front.

## Final BULLETINS

### 8,000 Nazis Slain On Ukraine Front

LONDON (CP)—A Russian communique broadcast tonight announced the slaughter of more than 8,000 Germans on the 2nd Ukrainian Army front.

The railway line between Smela and Khustynovka has been cut by the advancing Red Army, it added. Considerable numbers of German troops have been in the Smela area, dependent on this railway as a channel for supplies or for escape.

It also reported capture of Berezhno, 22 miles south of Sarny in Rovno Province, a score of miles inside Poland; Luvipol, a district centre of the Zhitomir region; Luybar, a district centre of the Vinnitsa region.

### German Cruiser Sunk

STOCKHOLM (AP)—A German auxiliary cruiser of 3,000 to 4,000 tons used as a blockade runner and commerce raider was sunk in the Baltic port last week, a Swedish seaman reported on arrival at Trelleborg, Sweden, today.

### Mother at 10

MONAHANS, Tex. (AP)—Dr. E. J. Cook today said a 10-year-old negro girl had given birth to an eight-pound, eight-ounce girl, and that both were doing well.

### Egg Cases Needed

OTTAWA (CP)—The Agriculture Department said today a severe shortage of wooden egg cases threatens to handicap movement of eggs into the domestic trade and to egg-drying plants where egg powder is made for the United Kingdom.

An appeal was made to all persons having egg cases to return them promptly to shippers and avoid damaging them.

### Delay Editor's Trial

NEW YORK (AP)—Trial of Frederick Heizer Wright, 41, copy editor of the New York Daily News, on an indictment charging failure to register with the State Department as a paid Japanese propaganda agent before Pearl Harbor, was postponed today by Federal Judge Henry W. Goddard until March 1.

### Paget in Cairo

LONDON (CP)—Gen. Sir Bernard Paget, newly-named Allied commander-in-chief in the Middle East, has arrived at Cairo to take up his command, it is announced officially.

### Cool On Prairies

(Canadian Press)

Temperatures on the prairies today were well below freezing, with the thermometer reading 17 above zero at Calgary and 20 above at Winnipeg. Edmonton experienced an overnight low of 7 below zero, but the temperature moderated during the day.

### Back Mayhew Plans For Airport, Gorge

Support of the City Council for proposals by R. W. Mayhew, M.P., for establishment of an airport at Gordon Head, and for flushing of Gorge waters by cutting a channel from the upper reaches of Portage Inlet to the sea, was sought by Ald. B. J. Gadsden at today's council meeting.

"Both projects are highly desirable and we of the council should give our entire support to the efforts conducted by Mr. Mayhew to improve conditions here generally," Ald. Gadsden said.

## 5th Army Forces Biting Deeper In Cassino Line

By JOSEPH E. DYNAN

ALGIERS (AP)—Fifth Army forces bit deeper today into the tough defence belt of Cassino in western Italy, with British troops crossing the Peccia River and U.S. forces advancing two miles northeast of Cassino.

Despite intense artillery fire, British Tommies clung to a bridgehead they had forged across the Peccia west of Mount Magliore near the western end of the 10-mile offensive front of the 5th Army.

The advance was just south of the main western highway to Rome, which runs through Cassino. North of the highway U.S. troops in a thrust from Mount Maio captured the 3,500-foot peak of Catena Vecchio, overlooking the road from captured San Vittore to Cassino.

Fifth Army troops also occupied other heights preparatory to an assault directly on Cassino itself.

Americans captured 1,500-foot Mount Chiala just south of Cerauro and still farther south they completed occupation of 900-foot Mount Porchia by mopping up surviving Germans entrenched on the mountain's western slopes after tanks had entered actively into the push.

### Overlook Cervaro East of Cassino

The Americans thus overlooked Cervaro, four miles due east of Cassino.

Their advanced elements were more than two-thirds through the six-mile zone of fortifications between Cassino and the captured village of San Vittore.

The troops who captured Mount Chiala continued their advance northward toward Cervaro, supported by fighter-bombers which attacked German positions.

Deep snows in the mountainous sectors of the 8th Army front restricted fighting to patrol activity and heavy artillery and mortar fire exchanges.

### Heavy Bombers Hit Italian Bases

AIR HEADQUARTERS IN ITALY (AP)—Heavy U.S. bombers of the 15th Air Force operating from Italy struck a new blow in support of the embattled Yugoslav patriots Sunday when they set the harbor of Pola at the tip of the Istrian Peninsula, boiling with fires and explosions.

This was the first disclosure that heavy bombers now are operating from bases in Italy.

### Ross Charges Cowley Deliberately Attacked

TORONTO (CP)—Art Ross, manager of Boston Bruins, today was quoted by Andy Lytle of the Toronto Daily Star as saying an injury to Bill Cowley of Boston in Saturday night's National Hockey League game with Toronto Maple Leafs was the result of "a savage and deliberate attack."

Cowley, who suffered a shoulder separation, was injured when bodychecked by Jack McLean, Toronto forward.

"McLean didn't try to play hockey," Lytle quoted Ross. "He was the central figure in a mass attack craftily designed to put Cowley out of business."

## B.C. Chief Justice To Supreme Court Ottawa Reports



HON. W. B. FARRIS

OTTAWA (CP)—Chief Justice Wendell B. Farris of the Supreme Court of British Columbia will soon be appointed a judge of the Supreme Court of Canada as representative of the provinces of British Columbia and Alberta, it was learned today from a well-informed source here.

Chief Justice Sir Lyman Duff, who retired from the Supreme Court of Canada last week, had represented the two western provinces. Chief Justice Farris is a brother of Senator J. W. deB. Farris, K.C., of Vancouver.

## 4 Fliers Missing In Bomber From West Coast Base

Four men are missing following the crash of a medium-sized R.C.A.F. bomber from a west coast air base Sunday, Western Air Command announced today.

No details were released in the statement beyond the fact that the aircraft was on a routine flight when it crashed and that an investigation is being pressed. Next-of-kin have been notified and names will be released shortly.

## F.D.R. to Broadcast Annual Message

WASHINGTON (AP)—President Roosevelt, on the advice of his physician, will send his annual message to Congress, at noon Tuesday rather than deliver it in person, but he will broadcast a shortened version to the United States Tuesday night.

## Women Spearhead Drive

Victoria women are out this week to push the Navy League membership here over the 40,000 top this week.

Mrs. L. A. Genge of the Navy League of Canada executive today reported 213 memberships sold at booths in David Spencer's and Hudson's Bay Saturday.

Women's organizations, now spearheading the drive, are in charge of these booths under Mrs. Genge and Mrs. R. Shanks, president of the Navy League auxiliary.

In charge of Navy League booths at both Spencer's and Hudson's Bay each Monday, are members of the R.C.N. auxiliary under

# Russians 15 Miles From Bug

## Bulgarian Capital Sofia, Battered By U.S. Heavies

ALGIERS (AP)—A large force of U.S. heavy bombers bombed Sofia, the capital of Bulgaria, today.

The packed formations swept in about noon, it was announced, for the fifth heavy bomber assault in two months on the German-controlled capital. The raid was a close follow-up to Sunday's first announced operation by U.S. heavy bombers from Italian bases, when the port and naval base at Pola in the northern Adriatic area was hit severely.

Sofia is a railway centre for German troop and supply movements in Yugoslavia, Rumania and Bulgaria, while Pola is a shipping centre used by the Germans to supply their Yugoslav front.

## Congressmen Barred From Fighting Forces

WASHINGTON (AP)—President Roosevelt instructed the Secretaries of War and the Navy today that members of the U.S. Congress "may not serve in the active components of the armed services."

Mr. Roosevelt said in a formal statement that Attorney-General Biddle had advised him the constitution forbids simultaneous service in the armed forces and in Congress.

## Robert L. Smyth New U.S. Consul

Robert L. Smyth of Berkeley, Calif., is the new United States Consul in Victoria. He took over his duties in the Belmont Building Saturday, having arrived in the city two days previous. Mr. Smyth, with his wife, are guests at the Empress Hotel.

Mr. Smyth came here from Washington, D.C., where he has spent two years with the division of Far Eastern affairs of the State Department. He has been in the diplomatic service 20 years and most of that time has served in China.

Mr. Smyth has passed through Victoria several times on his way to and from the Far East, but never spent any time here.

Mr. Smyth's predecessor was Reed Paige Clark.

## 5 Liberty Ships Crack: Spilt In 1 Painted Over



LIBERTY SHIP SPLIT—Rep. Warren G. Magnuson (D., Wash.) examines cracked and rewelded deck plating on deck of Liberty ship brought to Seattle after deck and side plates parted three times in heavy seas, one of several, he said, which developed breaks in Alaskan waters. Heavy chain, held by Magnuson, was used to support bow of ship after cracking occurred.

SEATTLE (AP)—The cracking of five additional Liberty ships at sea and the apparent launching of another craft "with a crack in her hull that had been daubed full of red lead putty and covered over with paint," have been disclosed by Rep. Warren G. Magnuson (Dem., Wash.).

The congressman's disclosures, made in Seattle at the week-end brought to 14 the number of Liberty ships which have been listed as cracking at sea.

A member of the house naval affairs committee, Magnuson has been making a one-man on-the-spot investigation into the Liberty ship accidents, listed the Chief Washakie as the craft which was launched with the painted-over crack. The Washakie arrived in Seattle recently for repairs after breaking open on an Alaska voyage and splitting twice more after repairs in the north.

"Whether the ship cracked open because of—or in addition to—the hidden crack launched with her hull is for the experts to determine. But the fact that the old crack, hidden by putty and paint, even existed is damning evidence of unbelievable carelessness," Magnuson said.

He quoted Capt. Charles C. Graham of Puyallup, Wash., skipper of the Washakie since its 1942 launching, as saying "the

## Bitter Fighting At Yank Holdings On Cape Gloucester

ADVANCED ALLIED HEADQUARTERS, NEW GUINEA (AP)—Bitter ground fighting is raging in northwestern New Britain, with Allied bombers supporting the U.S. Marines' renewed push to clear the Japanese from the Boggen Bay area near Cape Gloucester.

Bombers concentrated 58 tons of explosives on enemy forward positions, the Allied communique said today. A headquarters spokesman said the battle was resumed Friday after a lull, and the high command announced that the Marines had reached Hill 660, in an advance of a mile and three-quarters.

Hill 660, an artillery observation point, is south of Sillimati Point, where Marines landed Dec. 26.

Ground patrol clashes also were reported in the hills in the alderome area farther west, today's communique said. Marines captured the alderome Dec. 30, four days after the invasion began.

Bombers and fighters of the South Pacific Command struck enemy installations at Cape St. George on the southern tip of New Ireland. The target area is across narrow St. George Channel from Rabaul, Japanese stronghold in northeast New Britain.

### AIR SCORE 10 TO 6

Stiff enemy interception of the attack Friday gave evidence the Japanese will resist desperately any attack that might eventually soften a new landing spot for a flanking assault on Rabaul. At least 10 Japanese interceptors were shot down, and probably two others. Six Allied planes were lost.

Bombers struck also at the protective airdrome of Rabaul itself. Liberators bombed the Vunakanau airdrome in the morning and Australian Beauforts pounded the Lakunla and Tobera airdromes at night. The dispersal areas were left aflame, the communique said.

### VILLAGE WIPED OUT

In the battle on Arawe peninsula, New Britain, attack planes obliterated one Japanese-held village (Didmod), while medium bombers blasted Umtinagalu, directly behind enemy lines northeast of Cape Merkus, where U.S. troops landed Dec. 15. One pilot returned to report that Didmod "is no longer there."

Umtinagalu village and the Arawe airstrip behind it, once captured by the Americans, later had been lost as the desperately-fighting Japanese garrison regained four miles of ground.

Asahel Bush, Associated Press war correspondent, reported that the enemy, although outnumbered, evidently is choosing to fight "to the last man" for the Arawe area.

### Motorcyclist Loses Life

VANCOUVER (CP)—Pte. P. Reckisler, 25, of the 10th Area Signal Corps, died in a hospital Saturday, 12-hours after his motorcycle was in collision with two motor vehicles at a street intersection.

## Germans Report Soviet Landing From Black Sea

By HENRY C. CASSIDY

MOSCOW (AP)—Spearheads of Gen. Nikolai Vatutin's 1st Ukrainian Army plunged within 15 miles of the Bug River today, and neared Vinnitsa, rail city on the Bug serving as main control point for German communications to the Dnieper bend.

Other Vatutin units slashing southward sent deeper one jaw of a possible trap for thousands of Germans in the Smela gap, a Nazi-held zone extending eastward to the Dnieper River. This southward drive was pushing toward a junction with Gen. Ivan S. Konev's 2nd Ukrainian Army, advancing westward through Alexandrovka north of Kirovograd.

(London today reported the German high command had said that Russian forces had attempted a landing west of Ochakov, Black Sea port about 40 miles inside the southern anchor of the German line, but had been beaten off.

(Ochakov lies almost midway between the mouth of the Dnieper River, which is the southern end of the German line, and Odessa, the Nazi-occupied Black Sea naval base.

(The landing attempt, which was not confirmed from Moscow, could have been intended as a flanking movement against the southern German anchor—the southern arm of a Russian pincers movement to trap German forces in the Dnieper bend area.)

## Russians Take Zbornische

Vatutin's western advance guards seized Zbornische, 15 miles from a bend of the Bug river. Zbornische is 30 miles southeast of Vinnitsa and 33 miles from the important Odessa-Warsaw railway.

The Bug river, a natural defence line, is the eastern border of Transnistria, the Soviet area given Rumania by the Germans.

Other units pushed through Schastlivaya, 19 miles east of Vinnitsa itself, threatening to cut the most important east-west railway left the Germans in the Ukraine.

Vatutin's army was engaged in a complicated manoeuvre, pressing westward even while driving to the south, and mopping up areas to the rear.

Capture of Sarny, announced by the Berlin radio today but lacking confirmation, would force the Germans to rely for north-south communications on railways meeting at Brest-Litovsk, 130 miles farther west. The Odessa-Warsaw railway, on which the Russians are advancing from captured Zbornische, is the main escape line for German troops in southern Russia. Sarny is a junction on the Wilno-Rovno line.

(Stockholm dispatches describing the German retreat as "almost chaotic," quoted German military spokesmen in Berlin as admitting their armies are fleeing during a "desperate battle in which the outcome of the whole war depends.")

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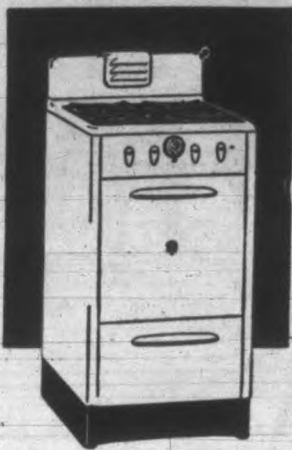


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## Nazis Plan Destruction On Quitting Warsaw

LONDON (CP)—The Polish underground radio today said German plans for the evacuation of Warsaw provide for the destruction of the former capital's industries and communications and the deportation to Germany of all Poles capable of work. The broadcast, heard by the Polish Telegraph Agency, appealed to underground forces to resist the deportation.

## Premonition Saves 3

MEMPHIS, Tenn. (AP)—Mrs. Emmett Galloway said she thought that something was wrong at home kept troubling her Sunday night as she watched a motion picture. She left in mid-film and found her two children and neighbor's son lying on the living room floor, overcome by furnace fumes. Hospital attendants said all would recover.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. R. A. B. Wootton of the firm of Wootton & Wootton, Barristers & Solicitors, has resumed the practice of his profession at the offices of the firm, 614-615 Central Building, Victoria, B.C.

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## 2 Highways To Alaska?

NEW YORK (AP)—A battle is looming over the Alaska Highway, war material artery to Alaska, Jim Marshall reports in Collier's Magazine today.

It was the Japanese menace off the coast that placed the road at a safe distance east of both the coast and Rocky Mountain ranges.

The road goes "1,000 miles out of its way"—a short cut would eliminate the "detour"—yet the United States navy now commands the eastern north Pacific, and it is cheaper to ship directly by sea, Marshall says.

On one side of the battle are western Canada and the U.S. middle west; on the other are southeastern Alaska, British Columbia and the United States west coast states. In the first camp, centring through Edmon-

ton, there are prayers that the highway will be finished before the war ends and cuts off construction funds. The second camp emphasizes the shorter route to save 1,000 miles in the transport.

Marshall believes there finally may be two highways to Alaska and the opposing factions may get together and sell tourists "a triangle tour—up one road and down the other."

## Refugees Clutter Bessarabia Roads

ISTANBUL (AP)—Premier Ion Antonescu of Rumania was reported today to have ordered the governor of Bessarabia to clear refugees from all roads and railways leading into the interior of Rumania in order to facilitate the movement of troops.

Antonescu was said to have acted after receiving a sharp complaint from the German minister, Baron Manfred von Killinger, that refugees fleeing from the threat of the Russian advance toward the Rumanian border were clogging communication lines.

The Budapest correspondent of the Turkish newspaper Aksam said many of the Bessarabian refugees were selling their farms for trifling sums in the belief they would never be able to keep them.

## 3 Merchant Seamen

Fined for Taking Bus  
DUNCAN (Special) — Three merchant seamen, Herbert Klingston, 25; Melvin Hurley, 23; and Joseph Deans, 25, were each fined \$50 and \$37.50 costs when they appeared before Magistrate G. A. Tisdall here today on a charge of taking a car without the consent of the owner.

Police arrested the three accused about a block from where they had abandoned a Vancouver Island Coach Lines Ltd. bus at Trunk and Marchmont Roads. Police said the right front fender of the bus had been damaged, and the motor may have been harmed because there was no water in the radiator when the bus was taken.

## 2 Fairbridge Boys Missing From Farm

City police learned Saturday night that two boys, Charles Shelby and Lionel Bowen, were missing from Fairbridge Farm School at Cowichan Station. Shelby was described by B.C. Police as 5 foot 10 inches tall, 16 years old, dark complexion and athletic build. Bowen was said to be 5 foot 8 inches, 16 years old, pale and of slight build.

## Fewer Marriages

CRANBROOK, B.C. (CP) — Births and marriages showed an appreciable drop here during 1943, while the number of deaths was the same as in 1942. There were 35 marriages compared with 54 in 1942, and 124 births, eleven fewer than the previous year. Deaths during both years numbered 63.



MARSHALL ISLAND RAIDS BECOMING A REGULARITY—On the regular "milk run" pre-invasion air raids of late, American bombs—like here—have been hitting the Jap air strip and camp area of Mille Atoll in the Marshalls with frequent success. This closeup airview was made during a November raid by Yank fliers. (Official navy photo).

## More Immigration Needed By Canada, Says C.N.R. Man

OTTAWA (CP)—Adoption of "a more generous immigration policy" for Canada was urged today by J. S. McGowan, director of the colonization and agricultural department of Canadian National Railways.

In an address to the Ottawa Rotary Club, Mr. McGowan said such a policy is essential if Canada is to take her rightful place in dealing with postwar problems of the United Nations.

"Canada cannot hope to close her doors and at the same time expect to trade freely with other nations," he said. "We cannot be a party to a good neighbor policy if the door is locked with the sign up 'Nobody Wanted.'"

"At the same time, no one will for a moment suggest that it will be possible to return to the free and unregulated movement of people such as we had in the early part of the century."

Mr. McGowan spoke optimistically of the postwar period in Canada.

## Stories, Stranger Than Fiction Told By Canadians From Ortona

By DOUGLAS AMARON  
WITH CANADIANS IN ITALY

(CP)—Stories stranger than fiction are still being told of the grim, eerie week that western Canadian troops of the Canadian 1st Division spent clearing the enemy from blasted houses and rubble streets of the Adriatic port of Ortona.

Ortona fell Dec. 27 to the westerners—the Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry, the Royal Edmonton and the Seaforth Highlanders of Vancouver.

The tales are legion and they are true. If in many cases the heroes must be unnamed it is only because they have since been forgotten or killed.

"We were right in the German area for three days," said Capt. J. F. McLean of Vernon, B.C., and Vancouver. It was eerie work going from post to post in the middle of the night not knowing what was ahead or behind.

"You'd clear an area in the daytime and they'd return by night. It was not only a house-by-house battle but often a room-by-room."

## DEATH COMES CLOSE

One night McLean set up headquarters in a "rubble heap with a roof" and the roof collapsed. Another time an armor-piercing shell hit the doorstep of a small room where McLean and six others were staying. It blew every object in the room to bits, but the only casualty was a runner who was scratched.

The Germans took a medical orderly prisoner, released him and then shot him as he was returning to his lines. Other Germans picked him up again and left him behind when he said he was too seriously wounded to talk.

Pte. L. R. Elmore of Langley, B.C., met an English-speaking "Italian" with a baby in his arms coming from a church where other civilians had been sheltering.

"You speak pretty good English," Elmore said.

"You're darn tootin'," replied the other, opening his jacket and showing a Canadian uniform. He had been captured but slipped into church, changed into civilian clothes and stayed there all Christmas night sitting on his Tommy-gun for fear the Germans would spot it.

The next day he was wounded. Lieut. S. Lynch and Sgt. D. McGowan, both of Vancouver, combined to tell of the experiences of Cpl. F. (Chief) Webster of Lytton, B.C., who with Ptes. C. S. Campbell of Vancouver and L. H. Ball of Penticton, B.C.,

spent part of an afternoon trapped by German fire in a house.

## INDIAN WINS M.M.

Webster, a quiet, full-blooded Indian, who had won the Military Medal earlier, received the decoration in Ortona Christmas day. He is the unit's best sniper, with some 50 Germans to his credit.

According to the padre, Maj. Roy Durnford of Prince Rupert, B.C., Webster sits for "hours motionless waiting for the enemy to make the least move."

A section of Webster's platoon entered the house at 11 a.m. and the Germans opened fire, wounding one and forcing all the men to remain in the house until dark.

Despite the fire, Webster crossed the street with Campbell and Ball to try to aid the trapped men. The fourth man with them fell wounded on the steps and remained there from 2 p.m. until 6 p.m.

The Germans were in the same building and for the rest of the afternoon Webster held out alone in one room while Campbell and Ball defended another. The whole group escaped after dark, the wounded crossing under their own power, although one had been shot three times.

Cpl. Dick Moir of Kamloops, B.C., whose platoon was commanded by Lieut. Jim Allen of Weyburn, Sask., said he and 11 others spent Christmas Eve in a house so close to the Germans they could hear the enemy giving catcalls to one another.

At 5:20 a.m. German paratroopers moved in on the house and threw grenades through the door.

"Mr. Allen wished us all Merry Christmas and told us not to worry—they were only grenades," said Moir.

Then the Germans blew up the house and there were only nine of us for Christmas dinner."

## VICTORIAN SURVIVES

One room was left with four walls and that was at the rear where the platoon spent the night. Left for dinner were Moir, Allen, Ptes. D. S. McKay, Victoria; E. S. Weston, of Montreal; Jim Elinsky of Trail, B.C.; M. St. Pierre, Pine Falls, Man.; J. B. McBride and Sam Houston, both of Vancouver, and F. Charlie of Drumheller, Alta.

There were also stories how Lieut. Fred Debanke, Chatham, Ont., found a decorated Christmas tree in a tunnel used by the Germans, how the major, since wounded, sat outside the basement window Christmas Eve listening to paratroopers singing "Silent Night" in German.

There were stories, too, how four unarmed privates carried too pounds of dynamite across the street under fire. Maj. June Thomas of Vancouver said at the height of the battle "I'm staying in the same house as Jerry." One of his men bent down beside a wall in the house and had a brick kicked in his face by a German in an adjoining room.

The final story concerned the medical orderly and the German who took shelter in the same doorway during a shelling. The unarmed orderly gave the German a piece of his mind in strictly unprintable language.

When he finished, the German said in the best English "O.K. Buddy, go to it."

When the shelling ended, the soldiers left together, the German turning to the left and the Canadian to the right.

## Late J. W. Dafoe Cousin of Late Doctor

WINNIPEG (CP) — J. W. Dafoe, president and editor-in-chief of the Winnipeg Free Press, who died here Sunday, was known wherever newspapers were published, but he had an equally well-known cousin, a little country doctor whose fame spread through the world.

He was the late Dr. Allan Roy Dafoe of Callander, Ont., who May 28, 1934, brought the Dionne

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## B.C. Japs' Complaints Must Be Written

VANCOUVER (CP)—Officials of the Royal Commission investigating Japanese in interior British Columbia allocation centres insisted on the Japanese tabling their complaints in writing. George Collins, superintendent of the B.C. Security Commission said today.

Collins accompanied the Royal Commission, headed by Dr. W. F. Jackson of Winnipeg, on a tour of the camps which ended Saturday, but he did not attend meetings between Japanese camp committees and Royal Commission members which were held in camera.

Complaints were discussed carefully at the meetings, and will be submitted to the Minister of Labor in Ottawa with the Royal Commission's final report and recommendations.

## 5 Shipyarders Die In Dormitory Fire

RICHMOND, Calif. (AP)—At least five men, all burned beyond recognition, were killed and seven injured when fire destroyed a shipyard workers' dormitory here early today.

Police Sgt. James Arbuckle said the bodies of the five men were recovered from the ruins of the building and a search was being conducted to determine if there were possibly others.

Arbuckle said the blaze was discovered about 3 a.m. by a guard, who fired his pistol to awaken the occupants. Six of the seven injured men were cut and bruised as they jumped from windows to the ground and the seventh was burned severely. They were taken to the permanent hospital of the Henry J. Kaiser shipyard.

Fire losses are estimated at \$25,000.

## Turpentine Drink Fatal

NEW WESTMINSTER (CP)—The 16-month-old son of Mr. and Mrs. James Lowder died in a hospital here Saturday after drinking turpentine.

quintuplets into the world. Dr. Dafoe died last June 2.

Dr. Dafoe was a fourth cousin of Mr. Dafoe.

Mr. Dafoe's forebear on the North American continent was a Flemish emigrant who settled in what now is the State of New York about the middle of the 17th century.



## ROCKET PLANE INVENTOR

Group Capt. Frank Whittle of the R.A.F., 36-year-old inventor of the Jet propulsion engine that will power new secret, rocket-type, propellerless, fighting plane.

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## Pistol Packin' Mamas, Lay Those Pistols Down!



## Heavy Artillery Fire On Canadian Front

By DOUGLAS AMARON  
WITH THE CANADIANS IN ITALY (CP) — Heavy artillery fire and local patrolling constituted the only activity on the Canadian front yesterday, where the position of the troops has remained unchanged for nearly a week.

The Germans also stepped up their shelling and mortaring and their patrols Saturday night were more active than for some time. One group scouted as far south as San Tommaso, a village about 2½ miles west of Ortona, and took two Canadians prisoners.

Possibility that the enemy may be planning to withdraw completely from below the Arceoli River is seen in the fact that all the bridges on roads leading to the river and crossing it have been blown up. Houses which the Canadians have captured and also are being destroyed.

There was slight air activity yesterday and Kittyhawks damaged a German fighter which crossed the Canadian lines.

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## J. W. Dafoe, Dean of Journalists, Author, Constitutionalist, Dies

WINNIPEG (CP) — Funeral service will be held here Wednesday for John Wesley Dafoe, 77-year-old editor-in-chief and president of the Winnipeg Free Press, who died Sunday, the result of a heart attack suffered on his way to hospital.

Dean of Canadian journalism, recipient of honorary degrees from Manitoba, Queen's, Alberta and Columbia universities, and Chancellor of the University of Manitoba, Mr. Dafoe was at his desk last Saturday as usual and in good health. Sunday he had complained of a sharp pain in his side and his doctor ordered him to hospital.

Born in the village of Combermere, Ont., March 8, 1866, Mr. Dafoe began as a cub editor with the Montreal Star for \$6 a week, and last October, 60 years later, was honored at a testimonial dinner there as one of Canada's greatest journalists.

He declined a knighthood, diplomatic posts and cabinet positions in favor of his editorial position, where he kept his newspaper in the forefront of every political struggle in Canada and every major issue in international affairs.

**SOUGHT NO HONOR**  
"I have always been interested in politics, but not in political honor for myself," Mr. Dafoe had said.

While he was a representative of the Department of Public Information at the 1919 Paris Peace Conference, Prime Minister Lloyd George of Great Britain offered Mr. Dafoe a knighthood.

"What would I do with a title?" the Winnipeg editor asked. "I shovel my own snow and tend my own furnace."

Among the causes he advocated was the creation of national status for Canada. In this field, Mr. Dafoe took a prominent part in every Empire press conference from 1909 to 1939. He also wrote books on constitutional affairs.

After the 1919 Peace Conference he emphasized that only through collective action against aggression and action for freer trade could the world ever attain peace.

Before the Second Great War, many of his editorials were devoted to collective security and criticism of public men of all parties for neglect of the problem. His campaign for the establishment of the League of Nations brought him honor, distinction and influence.

**HIS BOOKS**  
Mr. Dafoe was the author of "Over the Canadian Battlefields"

(1919), "Laurier, A Study in Canadian Politics" (1922), "Contributions to Great Britain and the Dominions," "Clifford Sifton in Relation to His Times," and "Canada: An American Nation" (1934).

Starting at the age of 17, he served as a Parliamentary Gallery writer within a few months. After two sessions in the press gallery, he became the first editor of the Ottawa Journal in 1885. He came to Winnipeg as a Free Press reporter the following year and stayed until 1892, when he became editor of the Montreal Herald. From 1895 until he returned to the Free Press in 1901 he was on the editorial staff of the Montreal Star. He had been editor-in-chief of the Free Press since 1901.

**CHAMPION OF WEST**  
The flood of settlement and railway building in progress on the prairies prompted Mr. Dafoe to devote many editorials to guidance in plans for development of the country. Since then he was often referred to as a "champion of the west."

From 1927 to 1939 Mr. Dafoe's major interest was his work as a member of the Rowell-Sirois Commission on Dominion-Provincial relations.

He was noted for his vigorous writing in a fight against restrictions on world trade. These interests brought him many outside duties, including the presidency of the Institute of Pacific Relations from 1936 to 1938 and the chairmanship of the Canadian Institute of International Affairs.

Last Oct. 16 Mr. Dafoe told 500 members of the newspaper profession, friends and admirers from all parts of Canada who gathered in Winnipeg to honor him, that he had "hoped that when the 'long trick' over there will be a judgment that I have made some contribution to my times and to my country."

Relatives surviving him include his wife, four daughters, all of Winnipeg, and three sons, Edwin and John G. of Winnipeg, and Van, serving overseas with the Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry.

**One of Black Crows Dies at 55**  
SPRINGFIELD, Ill. (AP) — John E. Cochran, 55, the Moran of the once famous vaudeville team of Moran and Mack and who, with his partner, appeared in the early days of radio as the Two Black Crows, died in a Jefferson Barracks, Mo., hospital at the week's end, relatives here were informed.



**ARMIES CONQUER MUD ON EVERY FRONT**—Mud plays no favorites in this world war. The Allies find it wherever they go and Axis armies have the same trouble. In Italy this is a typical road back from the front lines. Travelers are German prisoners captured at Mt. Camino.

## Tributes Paid Late J. W. Dafoe

Canadian leaders paid tribute to the late J. W. Dafoe, editor of the Winnipeg Free Press.

Prime Minister King said: "A sense of national loss will be felt throughout Canada as the country learns that John W. Dafoe has passed away."

"Less than three months ago Mr. Dafoe celebrated his 60th anniversary in journalism. On that occasion the press of Canada was filled with tributes to the place he occupied in his chosen profession. He was everywhere recognized as the dean of Canadian journalism and the foremost living Canadian journalist. It will be a source of consolation to Mr. Dafoe's family and to his wide circle of friends and admirers that he should have been striking evidence of the esteem and affection in which he was held by his fellow countrymen."

"Mr. Dafoe contributed to the shaping, as well as to the writing of the history of our country. He was a recognized authority on international, constitutional and political questions. On public affairs his views and opinions were widely sought. To leaders in public life he was a wise counselor and helpful friend."

"Mr. Dafoe was passionate in his defence of liberty. In the last war and in the present war he used all the strength of his powerful intellect to further the preservation of freedom. In international affairs, he was a firm believer in collective security and was a strong supporter of the League of Nations. His pen and his voice were constantly employed in seeking to improve international relations. At all times he kept before him Canada's position as a nation, Canada's place in the British Commonwealth of Nations and Canada's place among the nations of the world."

**HIS CONTRIBUTION**  
John Bracken, Progressive Conservative leader, said:



"Helped shape Canada's history" ... Late J. W. Dafoe.

"While Canada mourns the passing of John W. Dafoe, we all have reason to be grateful for the contribution this man of letters has made to our public life. With strong convictions and well-based principles, he exercised a wide influence throughout the land. The field of journalism was particularly enriched as a result of his vigorous pen and powerful personality. He always had the courage of his convictions."

"Dr. Dafoe was a close personal friend. That friendship extended back 37 years to the time when I first went west from Ontario. He was an outstanding and effective champion of the west, and we were together on many issues concerning the welfare of the people of that section."

"He had a breadth of vision that never left him parochial in his views. He never championed a cause that left Canada, as a whole, poorer for his action. John W. Dafoe stood for those things that make for Canadian progress and he seldom stood on the sidelines."

## Britons Back Raids Yet Want to Share Postwar Food

TORONTO—Here is an aspect of British public opinion on German propagandists to puzzle over:

While every ton of bombs dropped on Germany has the endorsement of eight in every 10 adult persons in the British Isles, these same people would vote to continue tight wartime rationing of foodstuffs after the war.

From the time heavy raids on German centres started, Nazi propaganda has sought to stir sympathy from blitz-experienced Britons. To find out what success they had in this campaign, the Gallup Poll of Britain asked an accurate cross-section of the population:

"What are your personal reactions towards bombing Germany?"

Answers, of course, were obtained in a variety of ways, but fell into the following broad categories:

Satisfaction ..... 47%  
A necessary step ..... 17%  
Dislike, but necessary ..... 16%

Total approval ..... 80%  
Opposed ..... 7%  
Miscellaneous and uncertain 13

100%  
Britons were also asked what, in their opinion, the effect of such bombing would be as regards the outcome of the war. Nearly eight in every 10 think it will have a definitely good effect on the war, largely because of the impact on German morale:

Upset German morale ..... 40%  
Shorten war ..... 24%  
Weaken war production ..... 10%  
Will win the war by itself ..... 3%

Total approval ..... 77%  
Won't break morale ..... 4%  
Won't win the war ..... 3%  
Retaliation ..... 2%  
Misc. and undecided ..... 14%

100%  
It is interesting to see that in Britain today only two persons in every hundred think of the Allied air-battering as merely retaliation.

Recently Britons were asked by the poll:

"For a year or two after the war should people in Britain continue to put up with shortages of butter, sugar, meat and other rationed food products in order to give food to people who need it in Europe?"

Readers will recall that, although the population of the British Isles has been on a wartime food schedule for over four years, they are even more willing to continue rationing after the war to feed Europe than Canada.

## Board Issues Booklet On Exchange Rules

By R. K. CARNEGIE  
OTTAWA (CP) — The booklet which sets forth the government's wartime exchange regulations is a bulky document but, a foreign exchange board spokesman said today, the only regulation causing much complaint is the one passed in July, 1940, preventing money being obtained for pleasure travel outside Canada.

Asked if the board proposes to be more liberal in this regard now that United States dollars are somewhat more plentiful, this official said it was a matter of "government policy" and he had no idea whether the ministry planned any changes in the present regulations.

"We had many a close squeak in 1940 and I often wonder now how we were able to get by and provide enough American dollars to meet our commitments, but we did," he said. "The situation is much better now."

**MORE PAPER SOLD**  
Sales of Canada pulpwood and paper had increased. Under the Hyde Park Agreement for mutual

dians or Americans. No less than 86 per cent of those interviewed in Britain answered "yes" to this question, compared with 70 per cent in Canada and 67 per cent in the United States. (World Copyright Reserved)

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**BIG SAVINGS ON FINE FURS**  
**Malleks**

ally-beneficial exchange of war goods between Canada and the United States, sale of farm products, metals and munitions also were up. Accordingly, U.S. funds were reaching Canada in greater volume and there was not the same scarcity as before.

Another important factor in relieving the exchange situation was the desire of U.S. investors to buy Canadian securities. Sales of securities have been averaging about \$20,000,000 a month recently. Most of that buying provided additional U.S. dollars.

While the situation had improved, the public should realize that Canada still needs all the U.S. dollars she can get, the board source said. It would be poor economy for Canadians to use for pleasure travel money coming from the purchase of Canadian securities by Americans. Such purchases meant Canada was going farther in debt to the United States. Money obtained that way should not be wasted.

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If you have been missed, please ask the nearest Employment and Selective Service Office for blank forms, which carry full instructions on their use.

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## Today's WAR NEWS Analysis

By DE WITT MACKENZIE  
Associated Press War Analyst  
Hitler's unhappy Reich is on tiptoe of tenseness in anticipation of Anglo-American invasion—a state of nerves which is aggravated by the grave dangers of the Russian battle.

News from Moscow today emphasizes the threat to the vital Nazi rail communications both in Poland and to the south in the Dnieper bend, where a big German army is threatened with encirclement. Berlin spokesmen are preparing the public for more bad news. Should disaster overtake the Hitlerites in Russia at the same time a major invasion is launched in the west, it would represent the worst situation that ever the most gloomy Nazi could envisage.

Small wonder then that Germany is suffering from invasionitis, since upon that impending event, more than on any other we can foresee, depends the trend and duration of the war in Europe. That's the blow needed to complement the Russian drive from the east.

### JAPAN MUST WAIT

For that matter, the length of the conflict with Japan also hinges on this invasion. It's becoming increasingly clear there's no likely to be any all-out drive by the United Nations in the Orient until the Hitlerian issue is decided, thereby releasing essential supplies and equipment. This doesn't mean that all offensive operations against the Japanese must be held in abeyance, but only that the final day of reckoning must be delayed.

The Germans, fishing anxiously for information, say the Allies have mapped out a five-week bombing program to pave the way for the invasion of western Europe. This would set the date about the middle of February.

### ROMMEL'S HARD JOB

Anyway, Hitler is taking no chances but is rushing preparations for defence. Marshal Rommel, in whose hands the Fuehrer has placed the Nazi defence of these occupied territories, professes satisfaction with the situation. One doubts that he is as optimistic as he talks, but he should be crazy not to recognize that the Germans have constructed a powerful and highly dangerous machine to ward off invasion. We are soon to get the full significance of Prime Minister Churchill's promise long ago of sweat, blood and tears.

To prepare for this crisis the British, Canadians and U.S. air forces daily are intensifying their bombing of German war resources and the so-called invasion coastal zone. It's one of the decisive operations of the global conflict—the greatest air attack the world has known.

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## Dr. Dafeo

**FEW MEN ENGAGED IN NEWSPAPER**  
work retain the full power of their mental vigor for three score years. Fewer still maintain a lively interest in the major affairs of life so long as that. And one might count on the fingers of the hand the number of Canadians who, at 77, could enlist a whole battery of human faculties and train any one of them on some national or international subject and command immediate attention. Such a man and such a journalist was John W. Dafeo, since the beginning of the present century editor of the Winnipeg Free Press, who died suddenly yesterday in the city which he was proud to call his home for more than 40 years.

Of all the voluminous tributes that are being paid to the life and works of Dr. Dafeo, those which designate him a Great Canadian embody the reflection of his vast host of friends and admirers. Even before he assumed the important position from which the Grim Reaper has now called him, he had fashioned his own concept of what Canada should stand for, the heights to which she should aspire; and in the four decades of his editorship of the Free Press he enjoyed the supreme satisfaction of witnessing the successive stages by which his native land attained its nationhood. During those periods of Canada's constitutional apprenticeship, when timid souls with colonial minds feared to relinquish the leading strings, Dr. Dafeo maintained his unwavering belief in the Dominion's destiny, and used his pen to preach the doctrine of Canadianism in its best sense.

In political nomenclature, of course, Dr. Dafeo was a Liberal in the most expansive application of the term. He understood and preached its practical philosophy. He gave himself ample room in which he could study its practice by those who wore the same label; he trained his journalistic X-ray on many who were wont to marry subservience to party to the expediency of the moment. No hide-bound partisan was this famous editor; he aimed his shafts of criticism without fear or favor, whether at Prime Ministers or rank and file. His chief consultant was his conscience; hence the respect he commanded from friend and foe alike.

And the democratic world in general understood Dr. Dafeo's solicitude for the cause of peace, his indefatigable labors in the promotion of international conduct by which nations might live in comradeship, and his belief in the inherent desire of most people to play fair with one another. His love of Canada, his concern for her progressive development within the framework of the British family structure, his labors in behalf of close collaboration and co-operation with her neighbor on the south, his unstinted service under innumerable heads to the land which gave him birth—these were but a few of the interests which he mingled so effectively and so conscientiously with his professional life. They were the attributes of a noble soul, a fearless editor, and a Great Canadian.

## Mr. Mayhew's Objectives

**NOT WHAT HE SAYS IN DEBATE, NOT** by adroitly-turned phrases, but by the efficacy with which he interprets public opinion to the powers that be and gets things done is the merit of an elected representative assessed by his constituents. On the whole, however, the debates of Parliament and legislatures provide convincing testimony to a lively and intelligent understanding and appreciation of current thought and the trend of public opinion—even in such disjointed times as those through which we are passing.

Very few of the 245 members of the House of Commons are guilty of infractions of the injunction to save paper by overloading Hansard with perfunctory or ill-digested comment. To be sure, there are loquacious ones, and the rabid partisan who is wont to substitute sound and fury for reason and logic. Fortunately for this community, however, Victoria's federal member has cultivated the rare gift of speaking in the national legislative forum only when he has something essentially useful and constructive to say. One might almost call him a back-bencher with a mission. Nor does he slavishly toe the party line; on the other hand, his experience in the political realm long ago impressed upon him the elementary fact that more flies are caught with honey than vinegar.

Since Mr. Mayhew was elected to represent this capital city of British Columbia—gaining the seat for his party in November, 1937, and winning an emphatic endorsement in March, 1940—he has measured up to his exacting responsibilities by a painstaking and conscientious application to the needs of this important constituency. But he has been more than a member for Victoria—he remembers the dictum of Edmund Burke—for Hansard's accounts of his contributions to debates on vital matters of national significance bear witness to his comprehensive concept of the varied Canadian scene.

It is fitting and timely thus to refer to the record of Victoria's busy member. In a few days he will be leaving for Ottawa

with at least two projects in which he and this community are especially concerned. He intends to impress upon the Dominion government the desirability of undertaking works here that quite properly come within the category of reconstruction and rehabilitation—the details of which already have been set forth in our news columns. Both are engineering jobs. One is designed to connect the waters of the Gorge with historic Esquimalt Harbor—a plan which so far has not gone beyond the talking stage. The other envisages Victoria's position on the aerial map of the future. This latter comes under two headings:

1. A major airport for transcontinental and other large carriers to be laid out east of the present R.C.A.F. Patricia Bay development.
2. A civic airport for local planes plying between Victoria and Vancouver, Seattle and upland, to be laid out at or adjoining the Gordon Head military camp.

Mr. Mayhew may not have an easy task in Ottawa to persuade the government to adopt these two undertakings; he will have to fight and fight hard. He will be in competition with other progressive communities which are realizing that this is the time to begin to anticipate the problems of the aftermath. But what is an important prerequisite to the success of such arguments as he will require to advance is a full appreciation by the administration of the fact that all the people of this community are solidly behind him—that they desire action with as little delay as possible.

## Canada's Mutual Aid

**DURING THE FISCAL YEAR 1942-43,** the Dominion government made a grant to the British government of \$1,000,000,000—all of it credited outright to the British government and it enabled Great Britain to obtain the necessary Canadian dollars with which to pay her huge excess of imports from Canada over exports to Canada.

For the fiscal year 1943-44, the arrangement has been changed somewhat. The Canadian Parliament passed a \$1,000,000,000 mutual aid bill. This bill made credits available not only to Great Britain but also to other United Nations. So far, arrangements have been completed with six such nations, namely, Great Britain, Australia, New Zealand, India, Russia, China, while negotiations are in progress with the Czech Committee of National Liberation.

The present agreement works somewhat as follows: Each nation, which desires mutual aid from Canada, enters into a contract with the latter stipulating that proceeds from all sales of goods to Canada are credited to the mutual aid account with that country. Each country, in turn, agrees on a list of goods to be bought in Canada. The difference between imports into Canada and exports from Canada to these countries represents the mutual aid granted by the Dominion to a respective country. It is expected that, during the present fiscal year, Great Britain will absorb \$600,000,000 and that the balance of \$400,000,000 will go to the remaining nations.

So far, Canada has not received any direct Lend-Lease from the United States, although considerable quantities of Lend-Lease supplies have been shipped from the United States to Canada on British account. This applies, for example, to supplies needed by Canada under the joint air training agreement. It also applies to parts and materials used in Canada for the manufacture of war materials for British account.

During the fiscal years 1942-43 and 1943-44, Canada will have placed goods valued at \$2,000,000,000 at the disposal of other nations. This item, if compared with the total national income of the Dominion and with the total value of output, is of considerable magnitude and compares favorably with the huge Lend-Lease granted by the United States to other members of the United Nations. The \$2,000,000,000 sum is in addition to other contributions made by Canada in behalf of the war effort. These and other useful contributions to the United Nations cause, of course, are referred to in a minor key, if at all, by the government's critics.

## Simply Stupid

**ACCORDING TO THE SCORE OF SINK-**ings kept by the Japanese, most of our neighbor's two-ocean navy already is at the bottom of the Pacific. But now comes a statement from Berlin telling the world that 21 United Nations destroyers have been sunk by U-boats in the last 10 days. To all of which Secretary of the Navy Knox replies that the Germans "are imitating the Japanese," since the only recent sinking was that of a destroyer by a torpedo in the Atlantic on December 24.

Such stupid claims also are on a par with an "explanation" given by a Nazi military commentator last Saturday of the German debacle to the west of the Kiev "bulge." He improved on the old "detaching" and "disengaging" movements by calling the latest retreat a "daring evasive manoeuvre." By another interpretation, of course, this simply meant that these elements of the Wehrmacht were advancing westward against their will, but doing so at the persistent and altogether inconsiderate prodding by men in the pay of the Soviet Union. Verily is this Blitzkrieg in reverse.

And when Emperor Hirohito's pre-Christmas intimation to the Japanese Diet that the war situation had become "serious" for his country is placed side by side with Adolf Hitler's gloomy New Year's message, the Occidental and Oriental "supermen" must be wondering whether, after all, they are as good as they thought they were.

The so-called "master race" evidently was having an off day when Italian prisoners of war in the southern states beat German prisoners in the cotton-picking contest, with both taking a back seat to the Mississippi negro.

## Bruce Hutchison

### ELECTION—WHY?

**ALL THE PROFESSIONAL political writ-**ers of this country and even this amateur have been speculating lately about a federal election in the near future. They have some reason for their speculations, for the immortal movements within the vitals of the political system are to be observed everywhere. They really began with the reorganization and renaming of the Conservative Party just about a year ago and from then on have increased until they have become a spasm affecting the whole body politic. Every party is busy organizing as if the poll might be held tomorrow morning.

Now this is very peculiar, when you come to think of it—peculiar, I mean, that there should be any thought of an election in Canada until the war in Europe is over.

At the moment this nation and the United States are living in a kind of fool's paradise, the calm before the great storm of 1944. Shortly, we are assured by our responsible leaders, the Allies are going to invade Europe. By all accounts this will be one of the most difficult military operations in the whole history of war. That is why it has been delayed so long. It may also be one of the most costly. We cannot expect to go through this year, indeed, without the heaviest casualties ever experienced in this war and perhaps in any war.

Once this happens, once the Canadian army is fully in action, once the big casualty lists come in, and the young boys we used to see on our own streets and in our own home are falling in the mud of Europe, the mentality of this nation will undergo a quick change. We shall not be thinking then of the great boom we are enjoying now. We shall not be worrying much about economic theories and the ideological debates of the present time. Our whole interest will be in the supreme effort to win the war and in the fate of our young men who are doing it for us.

### SHAM BATTLE

**YET THE COMMON assumption is that at** this particular time, when the soul of the nation is rent with anxiety and grief, we are to undertake a national election. While the boys are going across the Channel and many of them never coming back again, we are going over the top in what must appear, by comparison, a monstrous sham battle.

Now an election is a very important thing. The election ahead of us will be perhaps the most important in our history. We should be free when we make the decisions of this election from any other immediate diversion. We should not be asked to make these decisions when we are in the midst of the greatest military crisis on record.

On the other hand, the nation's war program is a pretty important thing, too, the largest thing we have ever done. We should be free to concentrate on that as long as necessary. And an election will assuredly divert attention from it. An election will drag our politicians out of Ottawa and take them off our war jobs. An election, with an uncertain outcome, will certainly lead to faltering in administration. Worse, an election with an indecisive result, giving no party a majority, could completely bedevil our war program.

Imagine for a moment the spectacle of our troops struggling through the agony of a European invasion and at the same time the politicians of Ottawa, no party having a majority, struggling to erect a workable government! Imagine the delays, the confusion, the uncertainty while this process was working itself out in Ottawa! We should then face the first really serious interruption of the war effort at the very moment when it will be needed most. The soldiers would never forgive us for it. We would never forgive ourselves.

### MANDATE

**THE KING GOVERNMENT** was elected in March, 1940, with a mandate to manage the war. This mandate still holds good. The government is not challenged in Parliament. Its term does not expire until the middle of 1945. It has about 18 months of life ahead of it, without extending its term by law.

What, then, is all the fuss about? So far as this writer is concerned, all speculation about the date of an election this year is based only on the possibility of the war being over. It has not occurred to me that Mr. King would plunge this country into the chaos of an election during the last and critical phase of the European war.

There is no excuse for such a plan, no matter what the attraction of an early election for any political party. And no political party will be forgiven for trying to take advantage of any temporary political situation to win office at the expense of the war program. If the war ends this year, the government is bound to go to the country soon, for its present mandate relates only to the war and it must have a new vote of confidence or be succeeded by another government before it can represent Canada at the peace table. But the spectacle of a merry election campaign in Canada during the next few months while the invasion is under way is almost unimaginable and should be intolerable.

### CHRISTIAN BROTHERHOOD

"The only hope of avoiding war is to accept Christianity as a way of life, not only in our private affairs, but in all public and international contacts."—Cannon Sheppard.

"Our doctrine of equality and liberty and humanity comes from our belief in the brotherhood of man, through the fatherhood of God."—Calvin Coolidge.

"The crest and crowning of all good, Life's final star, is Brotherhood."—Edwin Markham.

## Pilot Fatigue

(By Col. Walter R. Jensen, Deputy Air Surgeon, U.S.A.A.F. in the New York Herald Tribune)

Pilot fatigue is one of our strange imponderables. It is the result of the strain of flying in the stratosphere where a man needs special equipment even to venture, of limited physical activity in a fighter or bomber, of tension which is inescapable in the nature of an airman's work, and of suppressed fear, which I believe any flier will admit—at least when he first takes to the upper air. It is fear of the unknown, rather than fear of the enemy; fear of not performing at his best, even though he is trained and ready; a perfectly human and normal thing—but it takes its toll in strain.

Pilot fatigue is the result of all these things. Its onset is insidious, its symptom—picture vague, and the laboratory findings apparently negative. We do everything in our power to apply the only cure—a separation of the victim from the environment which has caused its onset.

Certain standards have been

set in some theatres of war, as in the United Kingdom. Men in the United Kingdom theatre are sent to rest after they have been on a specified number of missions; in different theatres of war, the standards vary. In North Africa, or in the South Pacific, where missions of one or two hours in length are more common, men take 40, 50, sixty missions before showing signs of pilot fatigue. It is the flight surgeon's job to watch for the time when they don't sleep well, are irritable, are hard to get along with, or don't eat well.

Depending on circumstances, a man is sent periodically to a rest camp for a week or 10 days, or given a furlough and allowed to go to a nearby city for relaxation and amusement. Under this system, the number of actual physical breakdowns which have occurred are surprisingly few. First, we have picked men who can "take it." Second, we watch them to see how well they can take it. And third, we rest them before they have tried to take it too long. Occasionally, there are psychoneurotic cases, of course, but the percentage is low, and of those which have occurred so far 75 per cent have been sent to active duty after brief periods of treatment.

## THIS WAR—FOUR YEARS AGO

Jan. 10, 1940—Royal Air Force raided Sylt and important Helioland anchorages. Finns claimed Russians driven back across Russo-Finnish frontier at four points. Russians charged Britain trying to extend war to Balkans.

## 'ALWAYS BELITTLED'

From Fergus News-Record  
If one of the faults of our neighbors to the south of us has been that they like to brag about everything that "America" does, one of the worst faults of some Canadians is that they like to belittle everything that is done in Canada. It's a strange habit, and a stupid one, but it persists, though not as common as it used to be, even a few years ago. Canada's war record has been so good that only those who are woefully ignorant of what is going on still persist in the old custom. And they probably do it for political purposes, which isn't really an excuse in wartime.

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Others in the cast of "Let Us Live" include Alan Baxter, Stanley Ridges and Henry Kolker. John Brahm directed, from a screen play by Anthony Veiller and Allen Rivkin, from an original story by Joseph F. Dinneen.

## Bus, Rodeo Riders Tangle in Romance

A gay romantic comedy, set against the colorful background of the modern (though prewar) west, is told in "A Lady Takes a Chance." RKO Radio's latest laugh hit co-starring Jean Arthur and John Wayne, and now being shown at the Capitol Theatre.

A working girl from Manhattan on a bus excursion to the Pacific coast and back, and a rodeo rider who is tossed from a pitching broncho into the girl's lap, are the principal characters of the sparkling film.

The impromptu meeting bursts into romance at once, for Mollie has never met anyone like Duke before, and Duke is intrigued with the eastern girl and her "different" ways.

## Ex-Boy Plunger Writes Fine Film

Lawrence Hazard, co-scenarist for Universal's "The Spoilers," now at the Rio Theatre, starring Marlene Dietrich, Randolph Scott and John Wayne, was once a front-page celebrity as "the boy plunger" of the racetracks.

At 18, he ran a two-dollar bill into \$38,000 in six weeks. Three days later, sure enough, he was broke.

Tom Reed co-authored "The Spoilers" screen play with Hazard. Ray Enright directed the Frank Lloyd production which is based on Rex Beach's celebrated novel.



JEAN ARTHUR AND John Wayne are starred in RKO Radio's delicious new comedy romance, "A Lady Takes a Chance," now at the Capitol, gay story of a white collar girl from New York who blows into the west on a bus, not accustomed to big rangy men like Wayne—in fact not accustomed to the range at all. Here's a picture strictly for laughs.

### Where to Go Tonight

ATLAS—"Birth of the Blues," starring Bing Crosby.

CADET—"Pierre Aumont in 'Assignment in Brittany,'" now at the Cadet Theatre, with Pierre Aumont, Susan Peters, Signe Hasso, Richard Whorf, Margaret Wycherly and Sara Padden in a top-notch cast. Based on Helen MacInnes' thrilling novel, the story tells of the exploits of Aumont as a special intelligence officer assigned to hunt out a secret Nazi submarine nest in Brittany.

DOMINION—"Oklahoma Kid," starring James Cagney.

OAK BAY-PLAZA—"Phantom of the Opera," with Nelson Eddy.

RIO—Marlene Dietrich and John Wayne in "The Spoilers."

YORK—Maureen O'Sullivan and Henry Fonda in "Let Us Live."

## Blues Men Praised For Place in Music

For their parts in lifting American Dixieland jazz to its popular and respected place in American music, "Birth of the Blues," the new Paramount tune film opening today at the Atlas Theatre, with Bing Crosby, Mary Martin and Brian Donlevy heading the cast, pays tribute to seven bandleaders and two famous composers.

The group, whose contribution is recognized in a cavalcade of close-ups, are bandleaders Paul Whiteman, Benny Goodman, Ted

## Espionage Thriller At Cadet Today

It's intriguing! It's gripping. It's "Assignment in Brittany," now at the Cadet Theatre, with Pierre Aumont, Susan Peters, Signe Hasso, Richard Whorf, Margaret Wycherly and Sara Padden in a top-notch cast. Based on Helen MacInnes' thrilling novel, the story tells of the exploits of Aumont as a special intelligence officer assigned to hunt out a secret Nazi submarine nest in Brittany.

### DOMINION THEATRE

With James Cagney scoring what everybody concedes to be his greatest success in his Academy-Award-winning "Yankee Doodle Dandy" and Humphrey Bogart sky-rocketing to top-flight popularity in "Casablanca" and "Action in the North Atlantic," Warner Bros. have re-issued "The Oklahoma Kid," which co-stars this popular pair, and the picture is currently at the Dominion Theatre. Supporting the stars are Donald Crisp, Rosemary Lane, Harvey Stephens, Hugh Sothern and Charles Middleton.

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## Weddings

### ELDER-OSTLER

The marriage took place Saturday evening in St. Luke's Church, Cedar Hill, of Mona Mary, second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard C. Ostler, 339 Doncaster Drive, and Jack M. Elder, only son of Mr. and Mrs. M. Elder, Sooke. Rev. Frederick Pike officiated and Mr. Stathan played the organ. While the bridal party was in the vestry, Miss "Babs" Hawkes sang "Because."

The bride was given away by her father, and chose a gown styled with a bouffant skirt of white corded taffeta and fitted bodice of brocade taffeta. Her full-length heirloom veil was of silk net bordered with alencon lace, and the same lace formed a Mary Stuart headdress trimmed with orange blossoms. She carried a shower bouquet of red roses, and white carnations centred with gardenias. Bridal attendants were the bride's sisters, Mrs. Ronald V. Reid in shell pink chiffon, and Miss Joyce Ostler in sky blue chiffon. Little Sharon Reid was the flower girl in a long gown of pale yellow, and all three wore matching halos of pleated net and pastel flowers. They carried arm bouquets of pink carnations and snapdragons. Groomsman was Robert L. Fletcher, and ushering were Henry A. Stross and Ronald R. Bissenden.

Parents of the couple received many guests at a reception in St. Luke's Hall. After a honeymoon in Vancouver, Mr. and Mrs. Elder will reside at Sooke. Going away, the bride wore a gold wool frock, brown muskrat coat, brown accessories, and a corsage bouquet of gardenias.

### STEVENS-RYLES

Iris Mabel, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Ryles, 2215 Fernwood Road, exchanged marriage vows Saturday evening in St. John's Church, with Pte. Ernest A. (Gay) Stevens, R.C.A.S.C., son of Mr. and Mrs. A. Stevens, 2721 Quadra Street. Rev. G. Biddle read the service, and Ian Galliford played the wedding music.

Wearing a gown of white brocade satin with a long fitted bodice and a sweetheart neckline, the bride was given in marriage by her father. Her chapel veil was caught to a sweetheart head-dress and she carried a shower bouquet of red roses and white carnations. The bride's sister, Mrs. R. J. Plovman was matron of honor, frocked in Queen's blue chiffon, and their cousin, Miss Marjorie Graham was bridesmaid in shell pink chiffon. Both wore matching head-dresses and shoulder-length veils, and carried bouquets of white chrysanthemums and shell pink chrysanthemums respectively. The bride's brother-in-law, Archie MacBride, supported the groom, and acting as ushers were Cyril Stevens and Walter Mobey.

A reception was held at the Royal Bank Hall, where mothers of the couple welcomed the guests. Later, Pte. and Mrs. Stevens left for Calgary, where the groom is stationed. The bride chose a Billie Burke beige wool frock, brown topcoat with bleached wolf collar and brown accessories.

## Wrens Entertain At New Barracks

Victoria hostesses who have entertained navy girls since their arrival in this city were invited to tea at the newly-completed barracks in Esquimalt Sunday to meet Cmdr. Adelaide Sinclair, director of W.R.C.N.S.

Lieut. Allen, unit officer of the barracks, welcomed the guests into the large recreation room, made homelike as logs crackled in the open fireplace.

Wrens proved excellent hostesses as they conducted the visitors through the establishment. They displayed their barrack blocks in which all bareness was removed by clever paintwork and partitions dividing the quarters into cubicles holding eight bunks each. Much admired was the galley, presided over by white capped cooks, where up-to-date equipment includes automatic potato peelers, dish-washers, bread slicers, multiple toasters and giant fridges.

Throughout the afternoon, guests saw Wrens on duty checking in and out at the regulating board. Among the most attractive spots in the building, visitors agreed, are the smartly furnished wardrooms provided for officers, petty officers, leading Wrens and ratings.

### ELKS' W.A. DANCE

Elks' W.A. will hold their first dance of the year Thursday at the Elks' Hall at 9. Proceeds in aid of the Solarium.

### Ration Coupons

Ration coupon valid Tuesday are: Tea or coffee, Nos. 14 to 27; sugar, Nos. 14 to 24; preserves, Nos. D4 to D11; butter, Nos. 42 to 45, and meat, Nos. 30 to 33.

## As Alike As Two 'T's'



Carol and Helen Bileski, 19, are identical twins. And they are identical in many other ways. Both are corporals in the C.W.A.C., and both wear the wreathed "T" above the stripes on their sleeves, denoting a service trades classification. It's the identical trade, too—stenographer. Now Carol and Helen, blonde and blue-eyed daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Mike Bileski of Saskatoon, Sask., have added a couple more "identicals" by giving their fifth blood donation. Both are stationed in Ottawa.

## Personal Notes

Maj. and Mrs. C. Payne are visiting in the city from Calgary.

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Holden, down from Juneau, are at the Empress.

Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Flynn of Seattle, Wash., are at the Strathcona Hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Burr of New Westminster are at the Sussex while visiting in the city.

Lt. Cmdr. G. C. Little, R.C. Art., and Mrs. Little, formerly of Victoria, are now stationed in Nova Scotia.

Pte. Lyle Buchanan of this city spent leave in Halifax with his brother-in-law and sister, W.O. and Mrs. W. Woodward.

Capt. and Mrs. B. Germain are here from Gaspe to spend a few days at the Empress before taking up residence in Esquimalt.

Ft. Lt. Howard Cotterell, R.C. A.F., who has been stationed at Newfoundland, and Mrs. Cotterell are now residing in Victoria.

From Vancouver to the Empress Hotel have come C. M. O'Brien, A. M. Caswell, Martin Howard, W. J. Lind and James Mackie.

Mrs. Spencer H. Elliott, wife of the Dean of Columbia, is a patient in St. Joseph's Hospital, suffering from a heart ailment, after a severe attack of influenza.

Mr. Frank Sharp of Victoria is spending a month with Mrs. Sharp and daughter, Frances, in Windsor, N.S., and expects to return to the west coast the last of January.

Group Capt. and Mrs. E. L. Wurtle, who have just returned from their honeymoon at Banff, are staying at the Empress Hotel before taking up residence at Patricia Bay.

Lt. Cmdr. and Mrs. G. S. Hall and their young son, John, who spent many years in China and came to Victoria in 1940, where the former enlisted with the Royal Canadian Naval Reserve, are now stationed in Halifax.

Among the many Seattle couples at the Empress Hotel are Lt. Col. and Mrs. R. P. Clarke, Mr. and Mrs. J. Hennessey, Mr. and Mrs. C. Holm, Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Wooden, Mr. and Mrs. E. Gates, Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Richards, and Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Lyle.

Mrs. J. D. Riddell and Miss Mary C. Riddell entertained at a miscellaneous shower at their home, 2531 Asquith Street, Sunday afternoon in honor of Miss Eileen Griffin, whose marriage will take place this week. Mrs. H. Dyer poured tea, and Miss Mary Hynes and Miss Ann Adamson assisted in serving. Other guests were Mesdames A. Griffin, A. Wills, M. Shaw, A. McKeachie, J. Gardner, J. Kyle, B. George, H. Hates, P. Wills, G. Gibson, E. C. Wilderspin, A. Jagger, C. W. Quest, W. Boyes, and the Misses Josephine Griffin, Eileen Wills, Amy Wills, Marie Rowlandson, Lillian Clement, Jacqueline Quest, Marguerite Drom, Nancy Kyle, Margaret Griffin, Dorothy Wills, June Gibson, and Mrs. B. Lee.

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## Red Cross Supplies Other Things Than Woolies in Britain

By MARGARET ECKER  
LONDON (CP)—The Canadian Red Cross in Britain is like the handy, dandy little household gadget salesman used to sell from door to door.

The gadget was reputed to do everything from peeling potatoes to keeping the baby amused and the Red Cross does that and several hundred more things, along with its better-known job of keeping Canadian service people in woolies and Canadian hospitals here and in the Mediterranean in supplies.

Mrs. William Stickney, formerly of Newcastle, N.B., has lots of surprises to pull out of the hat as she takes a visitor on a tour of the larger headquarters on Berkeley Square.

In one room for example, Mrs. E. Glenn Allen, one of the many English workers, was sitting among piles of battered books, paste and paper, rebinding books from the libraries of Canadian hospitals.

In the civilian relief department with shelves of clothing for persons of all ages, Mrs. David Leggett of Montreal was sorting out clothing to be given to a party of refugees recently escaped from the European continent.

A woman she was outfitting was one of the leaders of the Paris underground movement. The Gestapo got on her trail and she had to leave France without money or clothing.

The Red Cross also provides layettes for every baby for a Canadian soldier born in England.

To get these the mothers must surrender 25 coupons, but the women of Canada, are far superior to anything that can be purchased now in a British store.

In a workroom, in the hum of seven sewing machines, English women, working with Canadians living in London, such as Mrs. Walter Ridley, formerly of Nelson, B.C., make special supplies for Canadian hospitals here.

Mrs. R. Townley, who was Ruth Plum of Vancouver, is Mrs. Ridley's secretary.

Ann Connor, Joan McDonald, Eileen James, Joyce Ostler, Wendy Perkins, Winnie Kirchin, Maude Deane-Freeman, Marjorie McDougall, Evelyn Cobb, Violet Page, Dorothy Craig, Jean Howland, Daphne Stansby, Audrey and Molly Kayil.

# SCURRAHS

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# COATS

that have been priced to sell before this week is half over. Listen—these are Tweed Sports Coats (with a few Dressy Models), and regular prices were up to \$45, but the whole lot have been divided into two final Sale prices at \$24.75 and \$29.75.

# SCURRAHS

### SUPPER MEETING

Colfax Rebekah Lodge will meet Tuesday at 7.30 in the L.O.O.F. Hall. Prior to the meeting supper will be served at 6.30 under the convenship of Mrs. M. Silver. Mrs. H. Graham, district deputy president, assisted by Mrs. M. Fleming, marshal, and staff of deputies will install the officers.

Primrose Lodge, Daughters of England, Friday, at 8. Installation of officers.

### WOMEN'S ROUND TABLE

"Canada's Natural Resources" will be the subject under discussion at the Women's Round Table, meeting Wednesday at 8 in the council chamber of the City Hall.

Mrs. Kenneth Drury will speak on "What We Have," while Mrs. Hugh Mackenzie will discuss "What We Want Done with Our Resources."

Mrs. H. L. McLaurin will preside and Mrs. Harold Beckwith will lead the discussion following the speakers.

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floured board enough to shape into smooth  
balls; pat 1/2-inch thick. Cut with floured bis-  
cuit cutter, place on baking sheet and bake  
in hot oven (400°F.) 12 to 15 minutes. Mix re-  
maining honey with lemon rind and drizzle  
over tops of biscuits. Bake 5 minutes more.



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## Club Calendar

Saskatchewan W.A. Monday,  
Douglas Hotel, 2.30.

Ex-B.C. telephone operators,  
tea in David Spencer's dining-  
room Friday, 2.30.

Esquimalt W.I. Tuesday, 2.

1357 Esquimalt Road. Election of  
officers.

Saanich Women's C.C.F. Coun-  
cil Tuesday, Woodsworth Hall.

Ladies' Auxiliary, K. of C. Hut,  
Monday, 8 Hut, Cormorant St.

V.O.N., Tuesday, 10.30, board-  
room, Pemberton Building.



**CASH and CARRY—TUESDAY and WEDNESDAY**

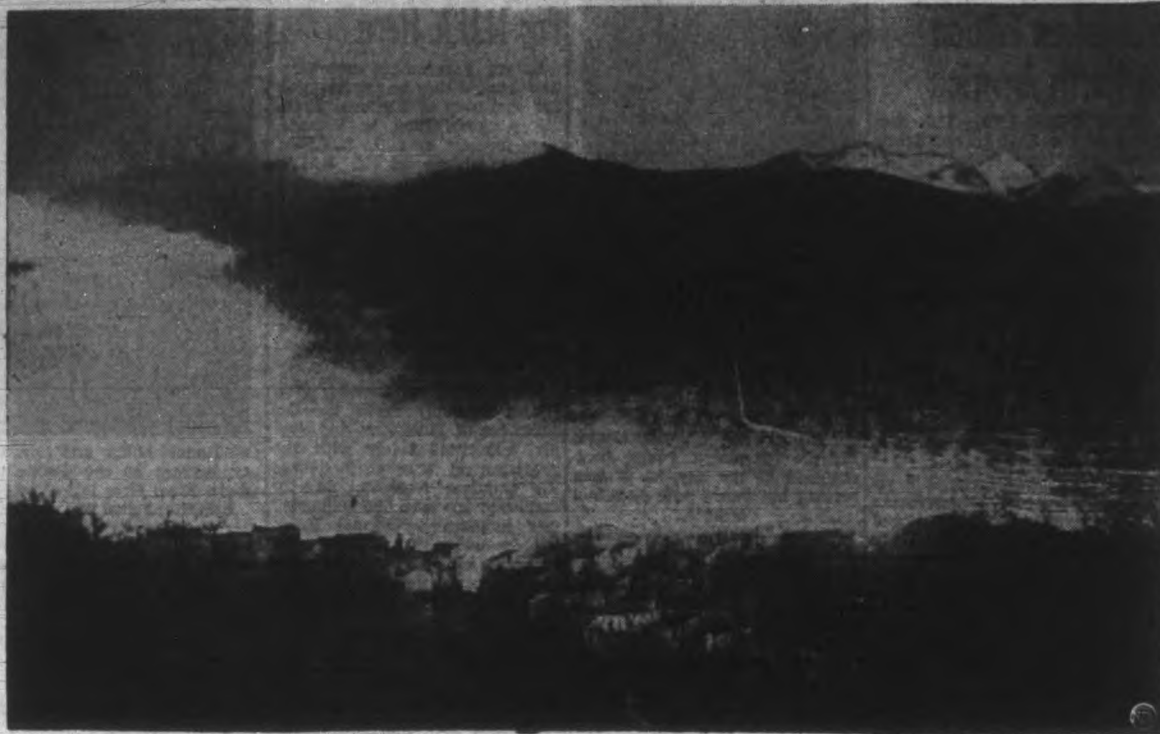
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## Shellfire and Moonlight Provide a Great War Picture



This is a night battle scene in Italy and is believed to be the first time that such action ever has been photographed. In the middle background, the town of Lagone and the mountainside back of it are illuminated by the bursts of shells as our artillerymen bombard the German line prior to an infantry attack. Higher up the mountain at left, other flashes show where enemy gun positions are being shelled as they return the Allied fire. A full moon helps to reveal the distant peaks and detail in the foreground. This picture was made by Bert Brandt, Acme camera-man for the war pool of photographic agencies. Using a 15-inch telephoto lens, he gave the film a 12 minute exposure at F-6.3.

## 3,000 Canadian Girls In War Overseas

By MARGARET ECKER  
LONDON (CP)—Canadian women who gave their services at frontline posts overseas learned what war was during the last year.

Some of them were wounded on foreign soil, had their ears deafened by gunfire, and knew the terror of bursting bombs. But for most of the nearly 3,000 women with "Canada" badges on their uniforms—the war has not been as dramatic as that.

The women in the headlines were those who served on the Mediterranean front; the nursing sisters in North Africa, Italy and Sicily and the Canadian Red Cross girls in the same theatre. Of the nursing sisters, 12 were wounded by a shell in Sicily; 100 were aboard a torpedoed ship in the Mediterranean and lost everything they had.

Canadian women were the first nurses in Sicily and they worked for weeks within gunfire of the front lines, although no nurses are in the mobile nursing vans that move up behind the front line.

Women of the Canadian services in Britain have settled into English life. They have made friends with the people here. Many have married here. Some through educational courses are carrying on civilian careers interrupted by enlistment.

**IN CANADIAN HOSPITALS**  
More than 1,000 nursing sisters under the command of Lt. Col. Agnes Neill of Peterborough, Ont., are serving in Canadian general hospitals and casualty clearing stations in all parts of Britain.

They work hard, play hard, and study the same way. Their quarters are in the hospitals where they are posted and they have their own messes. They are the glamour girls of the Canadian services.

More than 100 nurses have married since they came to England.

The girls in air force blue, members of the R.C.A.F. (Wom-

en's Division) are sampling English life a little more deeply than the other services. The 350 working at air force headquarters in London live in their own flats or boarding houses with the fun—and the headaches—of rationed shopping and living.

**SEE BRITISH LIFE**  
Their commanding officer, Wing Officer Kay Walker of Montreal and Ottawa, said: "Living out has given our girls the opportunity to know London, to become better acquainted with the British people than they would in barracks."

The girls still prefer to play together as they work together; they have bridge clubs, theatre parties, sightseeing tours. Like women in all the services, many of them are taking educational courses at the universities and through the war services. Most of the girls do a couple of nights a week of volunteer work at service club canteens, at hospitals, or assisting with child welfare work in the East End of London.

About two dozen Wids have married in Britain. Most of the Wids working in London are clerks of various categories. But out on the bomber stations the girls live the same life, and do most of the ground jobs the men of the R.C.A.F. do. They live in Nissen huts of tin. Most of their work is done outdoors.

They are the girls behind the bombing raids over Germany. They pack the safety equipment, the rubber dinghies for men who may have to bale out over the North Sea, they operate the wireless that are a bomber's contact with home over enemy territory; they are flight mechanics, making minor repairs on aircraft, aircraft instrument repairers, parachute riggers, photographers, drivers, barbers, cooks, messwomen, and teletype operators.

Four times as many khaki-clad girls of the Canadian Women's Army Corps serve in England now than did when this year started. The majority of them work in London, at Canadian Military Headquarters, as switchboard operators, clerks, drivers, office workers. But two companies are in the field, at Canadian army camps, where they live under active service conditions in tin huts, and work as laundry employees, cooks, messwomen, drivers, as well as clerks.

**CWACS IN BARRACKS**  
In London the girls live in barracks, big, comfortable mansions where they eat better than most people in England, and have a well-rounded program of social life, educational courses, physical training, games such as baseball and basketball, welfare work theatre-going and sightseeing tours. About three dozen have married since coming overseas.

Rookies to overseas service are the "2 girls of the Women's Royal Canadian Naval Service," whose advance party arrived here on Sept. 1. The girls work in London at the offices of the senior Canadian naval officer as clerks and postal workers.

Theirs is a real Allied Nations' life. They live in quarters with British Wrens, and the English girls are introducing the Canadian girls to Britain.

The 180 members of the Canadian Red Cross Corps serving

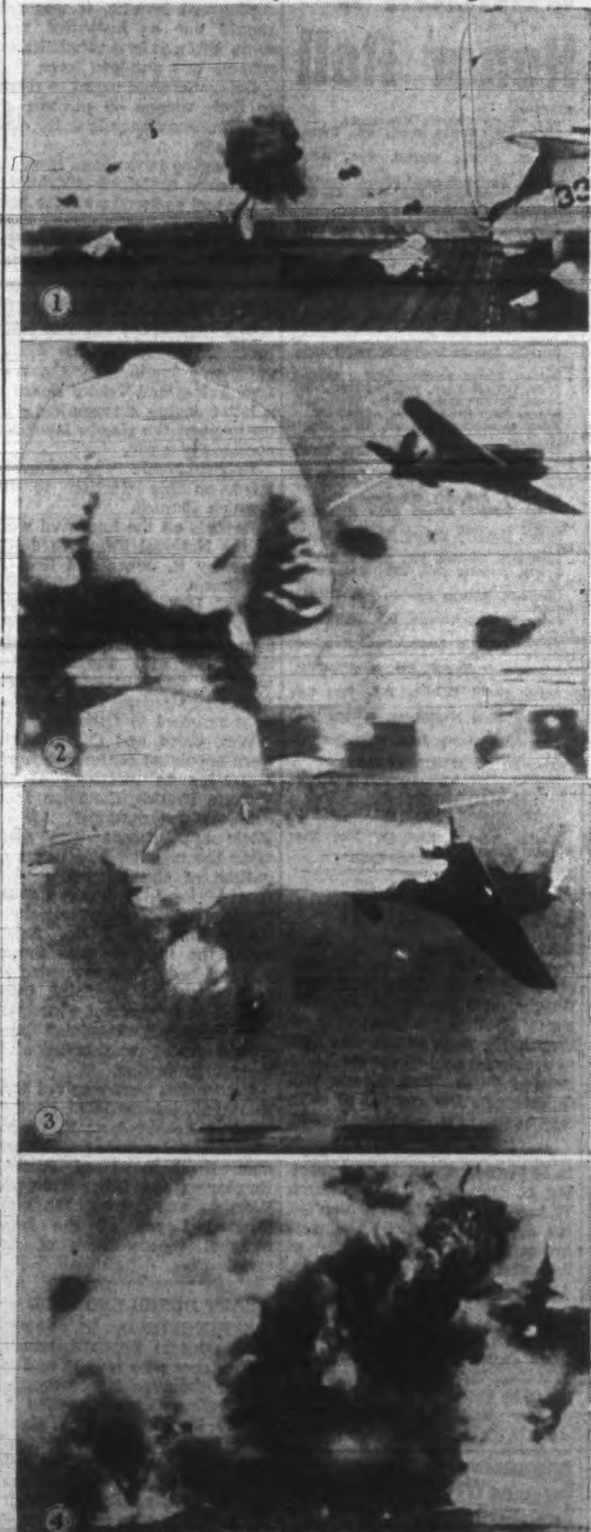
here, and in the Mediterranean, know what service is. They come overseas with little financial reward other than their living.

is given to them, from peeling potatoes in a soldiers' leave club, office work in Canadian Red Cross headquarters here, transport driving, welfare work among the Canadian blind at St. Dunstan's, handicraft work in Canadian hospitals here, welfare work in hospitals in the theatres of operation, to ambulance driving in the Liverpool docks area.

## Girl Guide Notes

On Wednesday West District Girl Guide Association will hold its annual meeting in the Y.W.C.A. at 8.

## Jap Plane in Fiery Death Plunge



Sudden death strikes Jap torpedo plane attacking U.S. carrier during raid on Marshall Islands in this dramatic series of official U.S. Navy photos. As Jap plane dives for attack (not seen in one), crew members flatten out for cover on flight deck. White strips (2) indicate near misses by ack-ack crews as they rapidly spot range. A hit! The plane bursts (3) into flame as hit blows wing off and ship noses into dive. Black-plumed death (4) shrouds watery grave of Jap pilot as plane explodes, disappears into sea. (Telephoto).

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## Sunday School By Mail

TORONTO—Disturbed by the number of children receiving inadequate religious instruction, the United Church of Canada has inaugurated a "Sunday School in the Home, by Mail and Air" project which in four months has reached out to more than 3,500 children and 3,000 adults.

The enterprise, sponsored by an inter-board committee representing Board of Christian Education, the Board of Home Missions, the Board of Publication and the Woman's Missionary Society, designed to provide Sunday School lessons helps and literature to families in isolated areas of Canada. Families in mission fields not served by student ministers in the wintertime and families in rural school districts where there are no regularly organized Sunday Schools are provided with the material.

The Board of Christian Education is handling the administrative work connected with the "Mail and Air" Sunday School, with 250 volunteer local supervisors handling the distribution. Plans are under way to organize district administrative committees in each of the Home Mission superintendent's areas. By the end of the first year it is hoped to have more than 8,000 children and adults receiving the Sunday School helps and papers. "Quiz sheets are provided to direct the study of the children. The whole project will be strengthened by radio broadcasts in local areas wherever possible. In Manitoba an interdenominational committee reinforces the "Mail Sunday School" with a "Radio Sunday School."

The members of the inter-board committee directing the United Church project are: Rev. Dr. R. B. Cochrane, chairman; Rev. Dr. S. A. Myers, secretary; Rev. C. H. Dickenson, Mr. J. E. Robertson, representing the W.M.S.; Miss Winifred Thomas, general secretary of the W.M.S.; Rev. Dr. Manson Doyle and Rev. M. C. Macdonald.

## Dorothy Dix

**WOUNDED FIANCE PROBLEM**  
A girl writes: "Before he entered the service I was engaged to be married to a boy with whom I was very much in love, as he was with me, and we planned to be married at the end of the war. He was wounded in action and has been invalided home and is now in the hospital. He will never be perfect physically again. He will always be a cripple."

"When he came back he told me that he no longer loved me and he thought we should break our engagement, but I have since found out that he is only calling our marriage off because he feels that it would not be fair to me. But I still love him and want to marry him in spite of this unfortunate accident."

"Do you think that I should try to forget him, or should I make him realize how I feel and that his misfortune makes him all the dearer to me, and makes me all the more anxious to be with him to comfort and help him?"

The problem that confronts this girl is one that many thousands of other women are going to have to face today or tomorrow, for Johnny is not always going to come home with flying banners and playing bands and his chest covered with medals. So pitifully often he will come back maimed, a wreck of the strong, handsome, upstanding lad who went forth so gayly to fight for his country.

Much as it wrenched the hearts

of wives and sweethearts to say goodbye to the men they loved when they went off to war, their welcoming back may be a still more heartbreaking experience. But it is one that many women will have to go through, and there is no question so important right now as how they are going to meet the situation.

I think that we women will be a poor and contemptible lot of quilters, a despicable sixth column of traitors to our country, if we wail on paying out part of what we owe to our soldiers, who have given their youth and strength and prospects in life to defending us, if we shut our doors and our hearts against them.

But each woman is as she is made, and if it is not in her to love her man the more he needs, her love, and to consider it a privilege to work for him and nurse him and take care of him when he is ill and down on his luck, then the kindest thing that she can do is to leave him and make way for a better woman. And no man who loses that kind of a wife or sweetheart need mourn her disloyalty.

St. Mark's W.A., Tuesday, at the parish hall.

W.A. No. 65 to Typographical Union No. 201, Thursday, 2, Jones Building.

Hear adventure and thrills on Magic Island tonight, 6.15, CJVI, Dial 1480.

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### ROYAL CANADIAN ARMY CADETS

Duties—Orderly officer for week ending Jan. 14, Lieut. A. J. Stephenson; next for duty, Lieut. H. G. Gilliland. Orderly N.C.O., T. Taylor; next for duty, R. Howard.

Parades—Jan. 11, battalion will fall in on battalion parade ground at 14.30 hrs. Uniforms will be worn. Training as per syllabus.

Jan. 13—Battalion will fall in on battalion parade ground at 14.30 hrs. Dress, uniforms will not be worn. Training as per syllabus.

Jan. 14—Battalion will fall in on battalion parade ground at 19.50 hrs. Dress, uniforms will be worn. Training as per syllabus.

### GREATER VICTORIA AIR CADET WING

Parade at Oak Bay High School at 19.10 hrs., Friday. The wing will fall in by squadrons at Fort Street and Cranmore Road, under

direction of Senior Wing Warrant Officer, A.C. Prob. W02 Henderson. Officer in charge of parade—F.O. J. McKenzie. Dress, uniform with greatcoats.

### Pruning Demonstrations Planned This Month

Annual meeting of Victoria Horticultural Society will be held tomorrow evening at 7.30 in the City Hall. After election of officers and reading of yearly reports a set of colored motion pictures, "Agriculture in the Okanagan," and a talking picture on plant growth will be shown by the B.C. agriculture department.

The monthly competition will be for a specimen fern and two parsnips.

First pruning demonstrations of 1944 will be held this month—next Saturday afternoon in the orchard of Mr. and Mrs. John A. Heritage, 1438 Grant Street, and on Wednesday, Jan. 19, in the orchard of H. Brown, 2423 Beach Drive.

## SWIFT'S WEEKLY WARTIME FOOD HINTS

Martha Logan, Swift's famed home economist, whose weekly wartime cooking column is a regular feature of this page. Look for these valuable hints each Monday.



by Martha Logan

### Pot Roast, Plus



The colder the weather the more your family will like this spicy pot roast of beef

Our "hint" for this week introduces one of the most useful tricks in the cook's repertoire. That of the marinade or "steeping sauce."

Many of the less popular cuts of meat can be given unusual and attractive flavours by soaking them in such a sauce.

Try the marinade given in the panel with a pot roast of beef... a 4 lb. beef rump or chuck... prepare the meat as directed and let stand, covered, in cool place for 2 hours or more. Pour off liquid and save. Rub meat with mustard and brown in hot fat. Add the spiced mixture. Cover and cook slowly adding hot water as needed for 3 to 3½ hours. Vegetables (onions, carrots, celery, etc.) may be added just long enough

before serving to ensure tenderness.

For other new and interesting ways of cooking meat, send 10¢ for your copy of Martha Logan's "Meat Complete" to Swift Canadian Co. Limited, Dept. NK22, New Westminster.

#### "MARINADE FOR BEEF"

1 tablespoon salt  
1 teaspoon (each) grated nutmeg, ground cinnamon and cloves  
2 bay leaves  
½ cup brown sugar  
1 cup vinegar  
1 onion, sliced  
1 clove garlic (optional)  
1 cup apple or grape juice  
Boiling water as required

Wipe meat with damp cloth and place in bowl. Mix salt and spices and rub over top of meat. Add sliced onion, garlic (if used), bay leaves, brown sugar, vinegar and fruit juice.



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## London Newspaper Publishes Edition In North America

NEW YORK (AP)—The first issue of the first trans-Atlantic newspaper, the weekly digest of the London Daily Mail, written and set up in England and printed in New York, is today headed through the mail to "desks of influential people in America."

A preliminary announcement of the publication's purpose, "as a contribution towards the closer understanding of the British and American peoples," is repeated on the front page of the first issue.

The Daily Mail's trans-Atlantic edition has 12 nine-by-twelve pages. Photographed on microfilm, it was flown to New York, re-enlarged and printed.

The first issue includes a report on the pre-invasion pressure on British railroads, political and military commentaries by Daily Mail columnists and correspondents, a digest of recent Daily Mail editorials and such items as:

The number of mental affliction cases, which decreased during the Dunkerque blitz, is increasing "now that life is quieter and safer."

Only 299 people now remain in custody in Britain as potential menaces to the state, a number of Italians being among those recently released.

A report from Calcutta that speculators and hoarders are trying to force further famine on Bengal.

British doctors warn against a second influenza epidemic on the 1918 scale.

Sir William Beveridge, author of the much debated social security plan, now is working on a report called "How to Cure Mass Unemployment."

The Atlantic edition is a page of "Messages from your fighting men." In this section are printed brief personal notes from U.S. service men and women to their relatives.

## Canada's Honor Roll

**MISSING**  
Aler, Harry Charles, Vancouver.  
Armstrong, George Perry, F.S. Portage La Prairie, Man.  
Arnott, George Donald, Sgt. Jersey City, N.J.  
Bassett, Joseph Clement Pierre, Montreal.  
Bennett, Evan James, Sgt. Cochrane, Ont.  
Black, Wilfrid Roland, P.O. Vancouver.  
Brown, Carl Allan, P.O. New York City.  
Burton, Carl Allan, P.O. Vancouver.  
Coppin, Harold James Lansford, F.S. Ottawa.  
Davis, Kenneth George, F.S. Toronto.  
Davis, Robert Henry, F.S. Winnipeg.  
Dugas, Jean Marcel David Joseph, Sgt. Inwood, Man.  
Gardiner, Allan Thomas, F.S. Toronto.  
Greer, Forrest June, P.O. Topeka, Kansas.  
Guertin, Eugene Lawrence, F.S. Ponoka, Alta.  
Halnes, Victor Yelverton, P.L. Halifax.  
Hess, Donald Allan, P.O. Belleville, Ont.  
Jones, Arthur Russell, WO. Trail, B.C.  
Lynch, John Donald, P.O. Arton, Ont.  
Mair, Alexander Campbell, WO. Brantford, Ont.  
McCallum, Peter Thomas, Sgt. Winnipeg, Man.  
McNair, Nathaniel Wesley, F.S. Chilliwack, B.C.  
McSorley, Rob. P.O. Montreal.  
Muir, Donald James, Sgt. Kitchener, Ontario.  
Miller, Kenneth Robert Grant, P.O. Ottawa.  
Moncrieff, Stanley, F.S. Selkirk, Sask.  
Nelson, Douglas Mac, WO. Vancouver, N.Y.  
Ouellette, Stanley Joseph, F.S. Kenora, Ontario.  
Paisant, Basil Norman, P.O. Burlington, Ontario.  
Pierard, David Leslie, P.O. Hamilton, Ontario.  
Rabinovitch, Manuel, P.O. Medicine Hat, Alta.  
Scott, David Gilbert, P.O. Port Colborne, Ontario.  
Smith, David MacMaster, D.F.M. WO. Winnipeg.  
Thurneier, Jacob John, P.O. Southern, Sask.  
**PRISONER OF WAR, GERMANY**  
Warren, Jean Louis Nazaire, Sgt. Murray, Sask.  
**PRESUMED DEAD**  
Smith, Michael Sydney, P.O. Strathburg, Sask.  
White, Edward Kenneth, F.S. View Royal, Victoria.

### Clubwomen

At a meeting of Canadian Daughters' League, Mrs. A. Doble presiding, Mrs. Craig and Mrs. Wright gave papers on the subject: "What is the Next Step in Women?" Sum of \$34 was sent to provincial council for the home defence fund. Mrs. Evans will demonstrate the making of cloth toys at the next meeting, Jan. 20.

Plans were made for a concert to be presented Jan. 24, at a meeting of Oak Bay United Church W.A. Dr. W. W. McPherson led the devotional period. The west group will meet Wednesday at 2.45 at the home of Mrs. Chas. Anderson, Victoria Avenue.

At the last meeting of Princess Patricia Lodge, plans were made for a dance for the forces to be held Jan. 21, and for a Valentine tea to be held Feb. 12 at the home of Mrs. J. N. Lang, 1252 Gladstone Avenue.

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Collin T. Martin, newly-elected chairman of the Oak Bay School Board. Prominent young businessman of the city, he is now serving his second year as school trustee.

## Conference Scores New Labor Code

Canada's new labor code drew strong condemnation from delegates at the Vancouver Island Joint Labor Conference meeting Sunday in the Labor Hall.

The gathering decided to send a letter to Prime Minister King and Hon. Humphrey Mitchell, Minister of Labor, declaring the act the most iniquitous piece of legislation to intimidate organized labor that has been brought down by the Dominion government. A call was sent out to all Victoria unions for a joint meeting on the new code at which all implications of the act will be studied and further action planned.

The conference will also send a letter to the Minister of Labor protesting the statement here prevalent lay-offs in the shipyard affected only lazy and inefficient workers. Such a statement might create discrimination against workers who may be temporarily out of employment through no fault of their own, delegates said.

Shipyard lay-offs, it was felt, should not be instituted until some effective rehabilitation scheme was put into force.

Delegates were urged to report to their unions on postwar rehabilitation discussions for careful study.

A lengthy letter from Hon. Ian MacKenzie explained chlorination plans and enclosed a report from Dr. Dolman submitting argument supporting the need for such treatment of Victoria's water supply.

### RATE INCREASE EXPLAINED

The increase in hospital rates, protested earlier by the conference, was justified by the War-time Prices and Trades Board in a letter saying charges had gone up to meet the rise in labor and commodity costs.

Robert Noble was congratulated on his election to the Saanich Council.

Reports on the improved work of the National Film Board was given by R. Jones and Geo. A. Wilkinson.

A. C. Bull and H. G. Yetman, reporting on an interview with Hon. G. S. Pearson, Provincial Secretary, said the establishment of day-nurseries in Victoria was a federal issue and had been referred to Ottawa.

Wm. Caird and C. W. White were appointed conference representatives to meetings of the Victoria Branch, Canadian Institute of International Affairs. Their appointment was made after the meeting had heard an outline of the institute's work from Major J. P. Simon and Dr. D. M. Baillie, guest speakers. Major Simon and Dr. Baillie noted the institute was a non-political body with extensive opportunities for acquiring information on subjects of wide interest. They voiced opinion labor should have representation in their organization.

Credentials were received from F. Regan, international Brotherhood of Bookbinders; F. W. McPherson, delegate of the Canadian Brotherhood of Railway Employees and Other Transport Workers, and Darshan Singh and Edward Logan of the International Woodworkers of America.

**DRAFT DUTCH LEONARD**  
SPRINGFIELD, Ill. (AP)—Emil (Dutch) Leonard, knuckleball pitcher who won 11 and lost 13 for the Washington Senators last year, was reclassified 1-A Friday by officials of a Sangamon County draft board, who said he probably would be called for induction in early February. Leonard, 33, resides in Auburn, Ill., with his wife and two small children.

## Larger Grants Seen For N.H.A. Here

Larger government appropriations should they be necessary in the operation of National Housing Administration in Victoria, were forecast by L. L. Matchett, Ottawa advisor to the N.H.A., who is in Victoria today, on a survey of local conditions.

"National Housing Administration, already functioning in Victoria, will be operating on a larger scale; the need is urgent and apparent to all," he said as he outlined the differences between National Housing Administration and Wartime Housing.

While Wartime Housing is a Crown company under the Department of Munitions and Supply, concerned solely with the provision of temporary houses for wartime workers, directly employed by new and expanded war industries, National Housing is under the Ministry of Finance, and might be termed, the permanent government housing department, Mr. Matchett said.

Belief that N.H.A. activities would constitute a major program in post-war reconstruction, was expressed by Mr. Matchett. Present function of N.H.A. with

## Bluejackets Join League



OS. Ronald Miller and Cdr. W. Mackie sign up for Navy League membership at the Publicity Bureau, 1119 Government Street, where Ethel Hole is in charge. Each day of the drive sees more uniformed men and women becoming members of the league.

The Housing conversion plan was twofold he said: partly to relieve the existing shortage of houses due to lack of labor and materials, needed for the war effort, but mainly, to provide homes for permanent residents.

Speaking of the work done by Jocelyn Davidson, regional director, Vancouver, Mr. Matchett said

that when no wood lath was available for home conversion projects, Mr. Davidson took over a lath mill and put in production. He is now supplying Vancouver requirements and is endeavoring to do the same for Victoria. F. W. Nicholls, federal director of N.H.A. is expected in Victoria later this month.

## B.C. Births Increase, Marriages Dropping

British Columbia births in November increased from 1,465 a year ago to 1,538 in 1943, according to the monthly report of the government's bureau of vital statistics.

Marriages are dropping from 887 in November, 1942, to 750 in the same month last year.

Deaths increased from 722 to 780, the latter figure being made up of 477 males and 313 females.

Victoria in November had 184 births, 82 deaths and 74 marriages.

In November, throughout B.C. there were 109 cancer deaths and 35 deaths of tuberculosis.

## Saanich Roof Blaze Causes Slight Damage

A roof fire, caused by chimney sparks, did slight damage at 6.02 Sunday evening to the home of R. W. Wilkes, 1254 Union Street. Saanich firemen brought the fire under control before it spread to the rest of the house.

A fire in the sawdust bin of the basement of the home of J. Rees, 1318 Beach Drive, was extinguished by Oak Bay firemen before it did more than slight damage. The alarm was sounded at 10.15 Saturday night.

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# Sports Mirror

By PETE SALLAWAY

WATCHING the Army absorb that 7 to 2 shellacking from the Navy Friday night, we were struck by the thought of just how important smart centre-ice players are to a hockey club. Loss of Mel Lundie and Terry Reardon has played havoc with the offensive of the troops. Smart wings like Pinky Melnyk and Sammy Kennedy are all at sea; they just can't get organized and if you want to get into hot water just walk into the Army dressing-room some night and ask these two boys: "Where is Mel Lundie?" You'll be lucky to come out with a full hide.

Until the Army can straighten out its forward line, the club is going to have plenty of trouble. Take Friday night for instance. Fully 75 per cent of the Army's attacking strength centred around defencemen Dave McKay, Nick Metz and Julie Sawchuk. The rearguards were continually rushing in an attempt to get goals, with the result the Army's defence was wide open and the Navy front-liners were able to sweep through for set-up goals.

On the other hand, the Navy club has shown a lot more attacking power since big Joe McArthur returned to centre one forward line. The former Fort Arthur player packs a lot of hockey brains and he is providing the passes and making the plays for a lot of goals. In other words, a hockey club must have the centre ice lane well handled to get a smooth offensive. That's the reason the V.M.D. is so dangerous on the offensive every time that old playmaker de Luxe, Connie King, moves out into that centre lane.

## Minor Hockey Play Opens

## Youngsters Look Good

Weeks of hard practicing for Victoria's young hockey hopefuls reached culmination on Sunday night at the Willows Arena as league play opened for the juvenile members of the Victoria Minor Hockey Association. Two games were played with the Royals scoring a 3 to 1 victory over the Senators and the Maroons nosing out the Capitals 2 to 1.

The games attracted a large crowd of parents and friends of the youngsters who all expressed surprise at the team play and ability of the boys. Closeness of the scores made the two games interesting for the spectators. With the players equipped with first-class equipment, the young teams presented a smart sight on the ice.

After Miller had given the Senators a 1 to 0 first period lead, Grossy tied the score. Konkini put the Royals ahead 2 to 1 in the second period, scoring on a pass from Turner, with Johnson making it 3 to 1 in the third session.

## Army Wins Soccer 6 to 0

## Varsity Disappoints

A youthful and somewhat inexperienced Vancouver Varsity soccer team went down to defeat via the whitewash route, against the local Army eleven to the tune of 6 to 0 here Saturday before a small crowd.

Reinforced by the inclusion of Cook, Craig, Davidson, Richman and Braddock of the R.A.F. the troops had little difficulty in taking the measure of the visitors. Craig and Davidson, on the wings for the soldiers, had a field day, and waltzed in and out of the Varsity defence practically at will. Perhaps it would be only fair to the Vancouver lads to say that they have had only one game under their belts in six or seven weeks, owing to Christmas examinations and showed little in their condition. The difference in the play of the teams was apparent immediately and goals came fast.

The first was a football treat. Davidson slipped nicely along the left, crossed to Craig on the opposite wing, who carefully placed to Heaps and the ball was in the rigging for the opener. Two minutes later Craig snuffed through the defence for number two and in as little time as it takes to tell, Heaps had made it three up with a well-taken header.

The only relief to the Army's all-out attack was a breakaway on the left wing by the Varsity which ended when Tortorius headed over the bar. Army's wingers were having an enjoyable afternoon, feinting and shifting past their opponents and getting the ball into the middle in first league style. Richman almost scored when he neatly back-heeled and the Varsity goal keeper barely got his fingers to the ball on the line. The interval arrived just after Craig had crashed one against the post, with the score 3 to 0 in Army's favor.

## Army Ruggers Score Easy Win Over R.A.F.

By the one-sided margin of 20 to 0 Army defeated the R.A.F. in Saturday afternoon's exhibition rugby match. Troops led 8 to 0 at halftime.

Askev, Sparks, McMillan and Chapman scored tries for the Army with Peden kicking two conversions and a drop goal to complete the afternoon's scoring.

## Bulla, Dodson Take Over Lead In Golf Tourney

LOS ANGELES (AP) — The tension of three days of intensive competition finally caught up Sunday with Sammy Byrd, and the onetime New York Yankee outfielder yielded the lead in the \$12,500 Los Angeles golf championship to Atlanta's Johnny Bulla and Leonard Dodson of La Jolla, Calif.

Soaking Sammy, with a 137 behind him for the first half of the 72-hole grind, Sunday took a 75, four over par.

Bulla, now an air lines pilot, came up with a 70, while Dodson, many times a contender but never there at the finish, also was one under par. These two headed the pack of 60 scheduled to start out today on the final 18 holes. Their 54-hole total was 210.

In the forefront of the procession was the duration champion, Craig Wood, New York, whose 67 was the best performance of the day, and Byron Nelson of Toledo, the pre-tournament favorite, whose par 71 gave him a 211 to start the closing round, even with Wood.

Byrd slipped into a third-place tie with Philadelphia's Jug McSpaden and host pro Olin Dutra, with 212's.

The former tennis champion, Ellsworth Vines, with a 72, ended the 54 holes with a 215 and the 52-year-old Willie Hunter of Los Angeles had a 73 for the same figure.

## Pro Football Looks For Banner Year; Expansion Certain

Commissioner of the National Football League

CHICAGO (AP) — A year ago continuance of professional football was confronted with a number of perplexing problems. These problems amounted to a challenge. The National League owners accepted the challenge and were rewarded with their best season.

Continued operation in 1944 presents the same problems. They no longer, however, constitute the formidable challenge that confronted owners in 1943, when on every hand well-meaning observers warned that teams could not be got together.

News came to the front in 1943. More persons, by some 34,000, saw the 42 league contests last year than witnessed 56 games in 1942. Receipts for the championship game on Dec. 26 broke all existing play-off records.

Much of the increased enthusiasm for professional football stemmed from the better balance in the league.

Talk of immediate expansion in the league probably is premature at this time. Expansion, however, is inevitable in the post-war period. It will not be surprising if the National League approves applications for franchises in Los Angeles and San Francisco. But it is not likely that such franchises would be permitted to become active until after the war when the new owners will have better opportunity to field representative eleven.

The 1943 season has left such a favorable impression that it is difficult to adopt a pessimistic attitude toward 1944.

## MOST VALUABLE ROOKIE

CHICAGO (AP) — Bill Johnson, star third baseman of the New York Yankees, has been selected as the major league's most valuable rookie of 1943 by the Chicago chapter of the Baseball Writers' Association of America.

## Durnan Popular With Canadians

## Goalie Gets Real Support

By CHARLIE EDWARDS  
TORONTO (CP) — Dick Irvin couldn't believe it if he hadn't seen it with his own eyes. The Montreal Canadiens' coach says his players actually are concerned about something other than their share of goals and assists.

Canadians, Dick told Dink Carroll of the Montreal Gazette, are willing to take time out from their goal-scoring to help goal Bill Durnan. "Against the Red Wings the other night, after we scored our first three goals, the fellows said, 'we've got enough goals to win now. Let's help Bill get a shutout.' When Grosso scored for Detroit they were as sore as if they'd lost the game. I've never seen it happen like that before in all the time I've been in hockey."

Carroll adds this comment: "There was a little incident in that game which may explain the reason for Bill's popularity. He lost his stick and, while it was lying on the ice a Red Wing shot hit the goal post. Canadians cleared the puck and Bill retrieved his stick. Then he patted the goalpost affectionately and muttered: 'Good old goalpost!'

## Two-Way Bowling



Two-way bowling is proving a favorite pastime with troops in the United States Army. The game is precisely like the regulation game except that the alleys, balls and pins are smaller and no pins boys are required. Pins at each end swing open on casters. Opponents set pins for each other. A perfect score has yet to be registered but a private at Fort Belvoir rolled 288 in a match game.

## C.P.A.L., Army Win Hockey

## St. Regis Here Tonight

Taking the ice for the third time in four days, Navy hockey stars will be after their second victory tonight at the Willows Arena at the expense of Vancouver St. Regis. Game time is 8:30. After their smashing triumph over Nanaimo Army here Friday evening the sailors suffered a surprise 5-to-3 setback Saturday night at the hands of New Westminster Lodestars. The same night the V.M.D. journeyed to Nanaimo and were knocked over 6 to 2 by the Army.

Navy defeat also cost them the services of defenceman Jack McLeod, who suffered a broken leg when boarded in the second period by Shorty Coombs. McLeod's position tonight will likely be filled by Charlie Kraeger, out of action for two games with a leg injury. Ab Newsome will also return to the Navy line-up on one of the forward lines.

Just what line-up the St. Regis will use is not known. The services of Hal McBride, Jimmy Lowe and Will Cooke, all members of the R.C.A.F. who had turned out with the team before the recent Ottawa edit.

Lodestars' win lifted them into fourth place and sent St. Regis into the cellar. New Westminster went into a 1-to-0 lead in the first period, but the sailors rallied to tie the count 3-to-3 at the end of the second. Lodestars fired two goals in the final frame while holding Navy scoreless.

## LESWICK SCORES 3

Pete Leswick led the New Westminster attack with three goals. Harvey Fraser and Bus Brashaw shot the other Lodestar goals. Marksmen for the Navy were Porky Hulme, Hal Brown and Murdo McKay.

At Nanaimo the soldiers tallied twice in each period while V.M.D. war getting singletons in the

## Bill Terry Out Of Baseball For Business Career

MEMPHIS (AP) — Asserting that baseball is "too cheap for me," William Harold (Bill) Terry said Saturday that he was quitting the game "for good" to launch a career in the cotton business.

The 45-year-old Terry was on the sidelines last season after 20 years with the New York Giants as player, field manager and general manager. But, until now he has maintained that he would return to the pastime "if the right thing came along."

Terry, who dragged down an estimated \$40,000 annually in his last years with the giants, said he is convinced that his future doesn't lie in baseball.

He added: "With the low salaries they're paying players, managers and front office men now. There's nothing in the game for me."

## Currie Army Turns Back Red Deer 4-2

CALGARY (CP) — A second period outburst which accounted for three goals in just 49 seconds, proved the margin of victory for Currie Army over Red Deer Army Wheelers, and Currie emerged with a 4 to 2 triumph in an Alberta Senior Services League hockey game here Saturday night.

Kept in check by the superlative netminding of Sugar Jim Henry in the Red Deer nets in the first and third periods, Currie took advantage of a momentary let-down on the part of the Wheelers' defence in the second period to score three goals.

Eddie O'Keefe and Riley Mullen counted for Red Deer in the first and third periods, while Currie goals were scored by Walter Rindstad (2), Reg Bentley and Max Bentley, all coming in the second period.

## Marius Russo Will Give Up Baseball

NEW YORK (AP) — Marius Russo, New York Yankee southpaw whose pitching was one of the surprises of the 1943 world series, Sunday confirmed reports that he would not play any major league baseball this year and probably for the duration.

The right-hander, who is employed by the Republic Aircraft Company at Farmdale, N.Y., said he had written a letter to Yankee headquarters explaining that for the present he expects to remain in war work.

## Semple Cup Golf

Play in the annual Semple Cup golf competition will be held at the Uplands Club Friday. It is the play-off for the various monthly medal winners. The draw follows: Mrs. Watson and Mrs. Bramley; Mrs. McKenzie and Mrs. Patrick; Mrs. Anderson and Mrs. Erickson; Mrs. Livingstone and Mrs. Brown; Mrs. Shore and Mrs. Jackson; Mrs. Webb and Mrs. Pocock.

## Horse Racing

HALEAH PARK.—Horse racing results here Saturday follow: First Race—Mile and three-eighths: Miami Springs (Smith), 17.80 \$4.00 \$1.40. Profile (Atkinson) 4.30 2.50. Annapolis (Skoronsky) 4.30 2.50. Fredrick Pal (Gibbs) 4.30 2.50. Speedy Reward (Harvath) 4.30 2.50. Fredrick Pal (Gibbs) 4.30 2.50. Time, 1:14 4-5. Also ran: Buckle, Lots of Time, Finning, High Jack, Jack, Lady Golden, Gorse Hill, Golden Messenger.

Second Race—Three furlongs: Fredrick Pal (Gibbs) 4.30 2.50. Time, 1:14 4-5. Also ran: Home Run, Crash Boat, Killa, Gay Gino. Third Race—Seven furlongs: Transformer (Lindberg) 4.70 \$2.10 \$2.40. Time, 1:26 4-5. Also ran: Black Grip, Victor, Minotaur, Yukon, Liberty Pan, Mixer, Jolt, Zanzibar, Queen's Rust.

Fourth Race—Mile and one-eighth: Kanaskat (Claggett) 4.30 \$2.00 \$2.30. Moon Maiden (Riesal) 4.30 2.50. Alfalfa (Trent) 4.30 2.50. Time, 1:35 2-5. Also ran: Bull Dinger, Arrow Rock, Whimble, Llanero, Sweep Swinger.

## FLIN FLON WINS

MOOSE JAW (CP) — Flin Flon Bombers cut loose with their greatest scoring barrage of the season as they trounced Moose Jaw 11 to 4 in a Saskatchewan Senior Hockey League game here Saturday night.

land (King), 5:38; 7, Army, Mohns (Metz, Melnyk), 7:51; 8, Army, Desile (Sawchuk), 9:08. Penalty—Marzo.

## Canadiens In Double Triumph Over Rangers

## Ice Leaders Run Victory String to 9

WEEK-END SCORES  
Toronto 12, Boston 3.  
Canadiens 8, Rangers 5.  
Canadiens 6, Rangers 5.  
Detroit 4, Chicago 2.

Symptomatic both of Montreal superiority and the inferiority of their opposition is the fact that Toronto Maple Leafs appear the only club capable of catching Canadiens before the National Hockey League schedule ends in March.

They'd probably have to do it with mirrors, at that, because injuries to Bob Davidson and Mel Hill have stripped Leafs down to four N.H.L. veterans in Reg Hamilton, Lorne Carr, Babe Pratt and Paul Bibeault, a Montreal cast-off. Still, if it can be done, Leafs are the team to do it.

The other clubs are too far back to have anything but an academic interest in the situation.

Leafs slipped into undisputed possession of the run-up spot Saturday by routing Boston Bruins, their chief rivals for the berth, 12 to 3 before 11,000 home fans. More than that, they unwittingly became the instrument in removing Bill Cowley for at least a month. Checked by Jack McLean early in the third period, the 30-year-old Boston centre star suffered a shoulder separation, third serious injury of his big time career which started in 1934-35 with the St. Louis Eagles.

## WILL MISS RECORD

The loss of the league's outstanding playmaker not only leaves Bruins in the position of an automobile without a steering wheel, but also chisels Cowley of a chance to shatter the modern scoring mark of 73 points, set by Ralph (Cooney) Welland of Bruins in 1929-30 and equalled last season by Doug Bentley of Chicago Black Hawks. Up to Saturday, Cowley had accumulated 52 points (19 goals, 33 assists) in 25 of the 50 games Boston will play.

In other games during the N.H.L.'s 11th week-end of competition, Detroit Red Wings mastered Chicago Black Hawks 4 to 2 Sunday to snap their fourth-place tie with Hawks, while Canadiens assaulted New York Rangers twice, 8 to 2 in Montreal Saturday and 6 to 5 in New York Sunday, to increase their league lead to 13 points and their current victory string to nine games.

Goals by Mud Bruneteau, Carl Liscombe, Hal Jackson and Syd Howe gave Wings their victory over Hawks, who relied upon Doug Bentley for both their scores. The game, which marked the return of Mike Karakas to the Chicago nets, also left the Hawks without a victory on Detroit ice in 16 games since 1940.

## DUTCH HILLER STARS

Mike McMahon and Toe Blake with two goals apiece featured Montreal's home-ice victory against Rangers, but the tailenders threw a scare into the Habitués at New York as Dutch Hiller scored three goals against his former teammates.

Despite Hiller's efforts, two goals apiece by Murph Chamberlain and Ray Gettife spurred Canadiens to their one-goal victory.

## Scoring Leaders

Despite the fact 42 goals were scored in four National Hockey League games during the week-end, no one changed places in hockey's big seven. Boston's Bill Cowley and Herb Cain, who head the list with 52 and 44 points, respectively, did not earn any points, while the other players picked up a few—but not enough to change their positions.

Leaders follow:

	G.	A.	Pts.
Cowley, Boston	13	39	52
Cain, Boston	12	32	44
L. Carr, Toronto	18	25	43
Lach, Canadiens	17	26	41
Montana, Chicago	17	22	39
Bentley, Chicago	18	19	37
O'Connor, Canadiens	8	29	37

## Hockey Standings

	W.	L.	D.	F.	A.	P.
Canadiens 20	2	3	125	54	43	
Toronto 14	11	2	128	104	30	
Boston 12	10	4	128	127	28	
Detroit 9	11	4	86	97	22	
Chicago 10	15	0	94	112	20	
Rangers 4	20	1	83	143	9	

## COAST LEAGUE

	W.	L.	D.	F.	A.	P.
R.C.A.F.	10	2	2	85	56	22
Navy	9	4	2	60	45	20
Army	8	0	8	81	65	16
V.M.D.	7	7	1	62	70	15
C.P.A.L.	3	7	2	50	68	8
St. Regis 3	12	1	57	91	7	

dict, sending Rangers down to their fifth straight defeat and their 20th in 25 games.

George Boothman scored three goals at Toronto Saturday as Leafs staged their sharpest offensive display of the season with 26 scoring points, while three other Toronto youngsters—Gus Bodnar, Jack Ingoldby and Jackie Hamilton—collected two apiece. But the brightest Toronto star was defenceman Babe Pratt, who set about 50 per cent of the Toronto attacks in motion and received five assists on the night.

## Hockey Summaries

### CANADIENS-RANGERS

First period—1, Montreal, Chamberlain (Gettife, Chamberlain), 9:06; 3, Montreal, Chamberlain (Gettife, Chamberlain), 14:02. Penalties—Lamoureux, 11:22. Second period—2, New York, Demers (Blake, Bonardi), 2:48; 3, New York, Demers (Blake, Bonardi), 3:12; 4, Montreal, Richard (Lach, Blake), 8:04; 5, Montreal, Richard (Lach, Blake), 10:31; 6, Montreal, Blake (O'Connor, Hefferman), 17:12; 7, Montreal, Hefferman (Blake, Bonardi), 18:48; 8, New York, J. McDonald (Mahaffy), 18:22. Penalties—Dill, Bonardi.

Second period—1, Montreal, Chamberlain (Gettife, 3:25; 2, Toronto, Lach (Richard, 5:20; 3, Montreal, Gettife, 10:48; 4, New York, Hiller (Hester), 11:22; 5, Montreal, Chamberlain (Watson), 16:37. Penalties—Hester, 11:22; 6, New York, Hiller (Hester), 16:37; 7, Montreal, Hefferman (Blake, Bonardi), 18:48; 8, New York, J. McDonald (Mahaffy), 18:22. Penalties—Dill, Bonardi.

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### McCance Enlists

WINNIPEG (CP) — Ches. McCance, 27, prominent local football and basketball player, Friday enlisted in the R.C.A.F.

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Canada Expected to Back Small Nations' Diplomacy

By NORMAN M. MACLEOD

OTTAWA—The administration shortly will declare itself definitely against Gen. Smuts' plan to have domination of postwar world diplomacy shared among the great powers of the world, Great Britain, according to indications here.

Statement of policy—which declaredly will favor "small nations' diplomacy" rather than a return to balance of power theories by the postwar world—is expected to come from Prime Minister Mackenzie King when the estimates of the Department of External Affairs come before the coming session of Parliament.

Reasons back of the rejection of the Smuts' plan will include the argument that it makes no adequate provision for the diplomatic aspirations of the South

American republics, while in Asia it fails to take account of the role that a new China, emerging ultimately victorious with the United Nations out of the present conflict, reasonably may expect to play.

Over recent weeks the government has been taking a definite, if unofficial, interest in the reactions to the Smuts' proposals. Result of its investigations is said to have left it with the conviction that the favorable reception given the Smuts' speech by both Belgian and Netherlands spokesmen, together with the strong approval which it is understood to have carried in Downing Street and other Empire quarters by no means tells the whole story. Among many small nations of the world—and especially among the small and large republics of South America—strong distrust is reported to exist of any post-war return to balance of power theories.

FUNCTIONAL PRINCIPLE

At the last session of Parliament and in subsequent public addresses, Prime Minister Mackenzie King developed his own views as to the general pattern which postwar world diplomacy should follow. He favored breaking down the broad field of diplomacy into its particular problems and the settlement of those problems by the countries directly interested, regardless of whether they be large or small. Thus, in any question affecting the international beef trade, the voice of the Argentine would count for more than, for example, the voice of Russia. On an international wheat problem, Canada would have more to do with any settlement than a great power like China.

Mr. King is reported to hold that this principle of dealing with international problems, which he already has christened the "functional principle," can be applied throughout the whole field of diplomacy.

Essentially, it is a plan which assures small nations a voice proportionate to their interest in any problem—but no more. For

B.C. People Pay \$32,756,830 More In Income Tax

OTTAWA (CP)—Increase of \$32,756,830 is reported by the Revenue Department in December customs, excise and income tax collections of \$194,521,528, compared with \$160,778,542 in the corresponding month of 1942.

Income tax collections amounted to \$118,511,308, an increase of \$22,300,897, while excise and customs yielded \$76,010,220, up \$11,442,089.

During the nine months ended Dec. 31, income, excise and customs revenues amounted to \$1,863,181,750, against \$1,537,921,441 in the corresponding period of 1942, an increase of \$320,260,309.

Income tax collections alone amounted to \$1,188,442,458, an increase of \$190,250,557. Excise and customs collections were \$130,009,573 higher at \$679,739,291.

Income tax collections, with increase in brackets, follows for Vancouver-Victoria (B.C. and Yukon): \$115,825,772 (\$32,756,830); Winnipeg \$45,645,975 (\$12,038,853); Calgary \$19,133,727 (\$5,777,426); Edmonton \$14,537,195 (\$8,199,396); Fort William \$9,211,028 (\$675,133); Regina \$8,669,189 (\$3,611,167); Saskatoon \$4,253,836 (\$1,278,183); Yukon \$1,420,850 (\$888,740).

Uncle Ray

River Currents May Trap Persons Who Break Through Ice

Last Friday I spoke of the danger in skating on river ice. If a river freezes over, the ice is not likely to be thick or solid, except in parts of the earth with very cold climate.

During my boyhood I lived in a city located between two lakes which were joined by a small river. Each winter the lakes had solid ice, but the river—about 40 feet wide—seemed never to have safe ice. It did get a coat of ice from time to time, but children who walked on it were in danger of falling through. More than one child has lost his life in this little river.

We hear of the Dnieper River in Russia freezing over so well that troops can cross it, but we should not let that give us a false idea about frozen rivers. Military engineers are on hand to decide when the ice on a certain river is safe, but in every-day life we have no such service. River ice may be safe one day, but dangerous the next.

A current tends to keep a river from freezing over. If the surface does freeze fairly well, the

R. Willmore, Victoria, On Army Newspaper

WITH THE CANADIANS IN ITALY (CP)—Canadian soldiers on the Adriatic battlefield have their own weekly newspaper, edited and published in a mobile printing office a few miles behind the front line.

Called The Red Patch, the four-page paper has appeared since it goes free to the men with their mail and has become so popular that circulation has had to be increased every edition.

The editor-in-chief is Maj. W. S. Sutherland, chaplain from Sydney, N.S. Other staff members are Sgt. Ian Casson, Dominion City, Man., L-Cpl. Bill Nelson, Prince Albert, Sask., Ptes. Roy Willmore, Victoria, B.C., Walter Migowski, Maple Creek, Sask., and Frank Bryan, Winnipeg.

The Red Patch supplements rather than competes with the service daily papers, the 8th Army News and the Union Jack and the weekly Canadian Press news. It carries brief items of Canadian news and a weekly war review, but is essentially a paper to which the troops themselves contribute.

this reason it has become known here as a system of "small nations' diplomacy." In contrast to the balance of power theory for which Gen. Smuts' is contending.

SMALL NATIONS' DIPLOMACY

The Prime Minister is said to be preparing to unfurl the standard of small-nations' diplomacy at the coming session of Parliament, with the assurance that his stand will command support from South America and China—as well as from France and other European nations, said to be more than a little resentful over Prime Minister Smuts' somewhat dogmatic elimination of them from any effective role in the postwar concert of nations.

In the light of the coming contest over the issue, observers here read a new significance into the government's recent action in raising Canadian legations in several countries to the status of embassies—thus placing them on a level of diplomatic equality with Britain, the United States, Russia and the other great powers.

Aged Man Attacked By Robber Improved

DUNCAN (Special)—Condition of David Ford, 82, former postmaster here, now in King's Daughter's Hospital with serious injuries, was described as improved today and he was reported to be out of danger.

Meanwhile during the weekend, B.C. Police have definitely established Mr. Ford was attacked by a robber who took \$4 in cash and his knife but over-looked \$10 and his watch.

It was reported Mr. Ford was struck over the head with a club and fell face down against the curb. He was dazed by the blow but not rendered unconscious. Despite his injuries Mr. Ford was able to crawl to a nearby house, where he was unable to locate anyone, and then proceed to the home of W. H. Purver, who summoned the police.

The attack occurred Friday night.

Because his assailant struck

British Consul Takes Own Life

BALTIMORE (AP)—Sir Anthony Hastings George, 56, British consul-general in Boston, was killed Sunday in a fall from a fourth-story hotel window, the Baltimore British consulate reported.

Sir Anthony, who had been in the consular service almost all of his active life, was in Baltimore prior to returning to Britain on sick leave.

He was the British consul in Shanghai at the time of Japan's attack on Pearl Harbor and was interned by the Japanese for eight months, returning to Britain in 1942. He had been in Boston since February, 1943. He was unmarried.

Dr. Henry C. Wollenweber, assistant medical examiner for Baltimore, pronounced the death a suicide.

Boston consular officials who had accompanied Sir Anthony to Baltimore said he had never fully recovered from amoebic dysentery, contracted during his internment at Shanghai.

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**HORIZONTAL**

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24 Perform  
25 Literary collection  
27 Upward  
28 That one  
29 Obtain  
30 Scrap of cloth  
34 From  
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36 Cloth measure  
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42 Loose egg  
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44 Symbol for titanium  
45 YETICAL

**VERTICAL**

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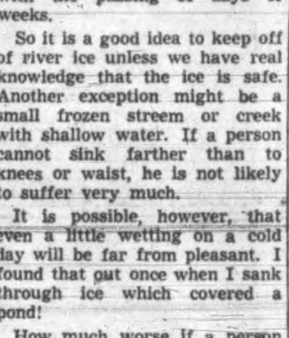
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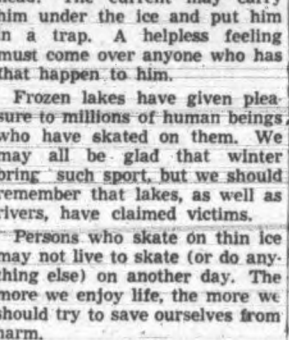
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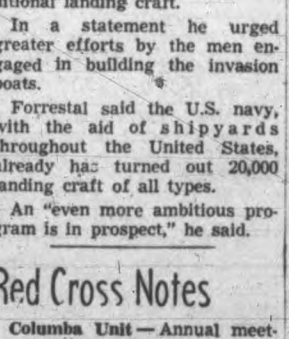
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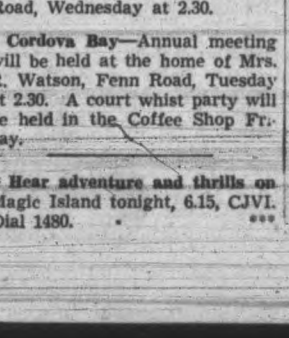
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## Father, Daughter Injured in Crash

Basel Harper, 827 Pandora, and his 2½-year-old daughter Diana, were taken by city police to Royal Jubilee Hospital at 3:20 Sunday afternoon for treatment of injuries suffered when the car Harper was driving west on Oak Bay Avenue at Bank crashed into a telephone pole.

Police said the girl suffered a large bruise under the left eye, while Harper was said to be suffering from possible chest injuries, cuts to the legs and face. Dr. T. W. A. Gray attended.

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## Tribute to Duff As Lawyers Called

Tribute to the distinguished career of Sir Lyman Duff was paid by Mr. Justice A. D. Macfarlane in Supreme Court here today as he presided at the call and admission of new members of the B.C. legal profession.

Herbert Derek Arnold, Vancouver, was admitted as a solicitor, and Albert Miles Nottingham, New Westminster, and William Peter Kapak, Nelson, were called and admitted during the ceremony.

W. C. Moresby, K.C., past treasurer of the Law Society of B.C., introduced the new members, remarking 46 years ago today he had signed the roll.

Mr. Justice Macfarlane congratulated Mr. Moresby on the anniversary and remarked upon the men who had signed the rolls and had become ornaments to the profession.

"In these days we are to be reminded of one who so recently stepped down from the highest position in the Bar of Canada," Mr. Justice Macfarlane said. "A little over 40 years ago Sir Lyman Duff stood where you stand now and in the roll you will find his name. His long and very distinguished career, I think, may well suggest to you the possibilities of the road on which you are today entering."

He referred to the possibilities before the new members and told them not to minimize either their opportunities nor their responsibilities.

"In replying to the tributes paid to him by the bar the other day, Sir Lyman predicted the bench and bar will be faced with more difficult problems than those of the past in the postwar world," Mr. Justice Macfarlane said.

Sir Lyman, he noted, had expressed confidence the bench and bar would be equal to those problems.

Mr. Justice Macfarlane drew attention to the duties of the bar in protecting the liberties of the people, and said to accomplish that aim the bar should realize its true power in the state. Its members should be widely informed not only on legal matters but on their application to problems of the day, and should honor and abide by the code of ethics which, in its essence, should be the rendering of skilled service faithfully and with no ulterior motive.

**Premier John Hart's Tribute to J. W. Duff**  
 "In the passing of John W. Duff, president and editor-in-chief of the Winnipeg Free Press, Canada has lost one of her great national figures," said Premier John Hart today. "Mr. Duff was a man who did much to mould the life and character of this Dominion."

"Through the medium of journalism he did much to influence national policy and his contribution to the nation's welfare in this respect was recognized by various universities, which conferred upon him honorary degrees."

"The greatest tribute to his work, however, was that made when he was selected as a Canadian delegate to the Peace Conference in 1919, and appointed a member of the Royal Commission on Dominion-Provincial Relations in 1937."

"Perhaps in the entire history of Canada no editor has had so much influence upon public affairs as did Mr. Duff. I would like to express my profound regret at his passing. He was a great counsellor and a great friend."

City police Saturday night investigated but failed to locate the source of five rifle shots fired near Oswego Street. Empty shells from a 44.0 rifle were found and police questioned several persons.

**Lecture for Oak Bay Civil Defence Workers**  
 Oak Bay Civil Defence workers are invited to attend an illustrated lecture next Friday night at 7.30 in Oak Bay High School auditorium, to be given by Sqdn. Ldr. R. M. Donaldson and P.L.I. G. H. Lee, both of the R.C.A.F. The lecture will be of unusual interest in view of the fact the speakers will deal with flying control and air-sea rescue work.

One hundred and eighty air cadets of Greater Victoria will attend in uniform as well as 25 members of the local branch of the Engineering Institute of Canada and members of the Greater Victoria Auxiliary provincial police.

Florence and Island wardens will meet at their post at 8 Tues. day. Auxiliary police will meet at the Municipal Hall at 8 Wednesday.

**Boy Slips, Strangled In Tree at Colwood**  
 Inquest into the death of John Mackin, four-year-old Children's Aid Society ward who was strangled in a tree at his home at Colwood Saturday afternoon, will be conducted by Dr. E. C. Hart, coroner, at 10.30 Wednesday morning at Sands Mortuary, B.C. Police announced today.

The boy, whose foster parents were given by police as A. Turner, Wishart Road, apparently was playing in an apple tree and slipped. The collar of his coat caught on a branch and he was strangled, unable to call for help.

B.C. Police and a Victoria Fire Department inhalator crew worked for two hours on the boy but were unable to revive him.

**Complains of Old Lady Taking Cash From Boys**  
 Complaint about an old lady who was reported to have stopped at least two children and taken money from them was made to city police Saturday by Mrs. S. Anfield, 1803 Belmont.

Mrs. Anfield said her six-year-old son, Larry, recently was going to a store to buy a chocolate bar when he dropped a nickel at Belmont and Begbie. An old lady, he told his mother, picked up the coin before he could and made off with it.

Larry came home crying after he had told the lady it was his money but she had not needed him.

Mrs. Anfield reported another boy, age three, had been stopped by the lady who stooped down and opened his fist which grasped a 10-cent piece. "May I have this," the lady asked the child, and before he could say "No," she had taken it and was hurrying down the street.

## With Our Servicemen

By DICK FREEMAN  
 Capt. Barry German, R.C.N., reached the city this morning from Ottawa to take over the



CAPT. BARRY GERMAN takes over Givenchy.

command of H.M.C.S. Givenchy at Esquimalt. He is accompanied by Mrs. German and their daughter, Gill. They are staying at the Empress Hotel pending taking up residence at Esquimalt.

Capt. German came here from the east coast, where he has been naval officer in charge at Gaspe, Quebec, since August, 1942. Born in Welland, Ont., in 1892, he joined the Royal Canadian Navy as a cadet in 1910, being promoted to a sub-lieutenant in 1913. He saw service attached to the British Navy on H.M.S. Collingwood. During the last world war he was with the naval intelligence service at Ottawa.

R.C.A.F. 774th casualty list released today states that F.S. Edward Kenneth White, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. E. White, 317 Stewart Street, was reported missing in October, 1943, when the International Red Cross quoted German sources that it was believed he had been killed in action July 25. The Victoria flier took part in many of the heavy raids over Germany and was almost through his first operational tour of duty with a Pathfinder bomber squadron when reported missing.

Previously listed as missing in air operations overseas, Sqdn.

## B.C. Farmers Here, Discuss Problems With Government

Representatives of farmers in all parts of the province came to Victoria for their annual meeting with the Department of Agriculture and to prepare a list of their needs in time for consideration by the Legislature, opening here in three weeks.

The delegates from the 10 farmers' institute districts of B.C. were welcomed by Agriculture Minister K. C. MacDonald, who discussed land problems in general with the visitors. They also met other officials of the department, including J. B. Munro, deputy minister and superintendent of farmers' institutes; W. H. Robertson, chief horticulturist; Dr. W. R. Gunn, livestock commissioner; J. R. Terry, poultry commissioner; Cecil Tice, field corps commissioner, and W. J. Bonavia, secretary of the farmers' institutes.

Many resolutions are being considered, among them two having to do with milk on Vancouver Island.

One says "the price of milk retail varies on the island from 11 to 15 cents per quart—therefore, be it resolved, the price of milk retail should be based on the retail price on the Victoria market; which is the highest on Vancouver Island, plus an additional sum to cover cost of transportation to and delivery in remote areas."

Another resolution asks that Vancouver Island be made a controlled area under a scheme set up under the Natural Products Market Act, "with the end in view of the producers selling their dairy products through their own controlled organizations."

The delegates to the meeting are Walter Hogg of Cariboo, who is president of the B.C. Farmers' Institute; C. J. Killar, Telkwa; Tom Cameron, East Kootenay; O. B. Appleton, West Kootenay; James Woodburn, Salmon Arm; William Harrison, Pritchard; A. H. Peppar, Ioco; Sydney Pickles, Saanichton, representing Vancouver Island and the Gulf Islands.

Also meeting here and conferring on agricultural problems with the B.C. farmers are three Dominion government agriculturalists from Alberta—Jack Byers, market representative of the livestock branch in B.C. and Alberta, Edmonton, and Richard Painter, entomologist and specialist in warble-fly control, Lethbridge.

William MacGillivray, director of the Dominion-Provincial Farm Labor Bureau, is also here for the conference.

**Thieves Take Cars, Cash, Brass Trumpet**  
 To cars, cash, jewelry, clothing, a brass and silver trumpet and a machine motor were among the articles city police during the week-end learned had been stolen.

Esquimalt police reported Sunday evening a car owned by Alfred Day, 381 Obed, had been stolen from Esquimalt and Colville Roads, G. C. Bagshawe, 1405 Fernwood, reported at 10.30 today his car had been stolen.

Theft of his gasoline ration book from his car was reported today by Jogindar Singh, 743 Market.

The home of Chow Soon, 815 Princess, was broken into by smashing the kitchen window and a \$60 watch and jewelry valued at \$60, chocolates, cigars and cigarettes taken.

Janette Spong, Glen P.O., reported her purse containing \$2 had been stolen from her car parked on Yates Street.

Ten-year-old Phillips Foulkes, Glenfield Hotel, told police Sunday he had been accosted by another boy, who took his wallet containing \$2.50 in cash, stamps and streetcar tickets.

Theft of a watch and chain valued at \$37.50, shirts and two pairs of socks from his hotel room was reported by Peter Wolfe.

Robert Barton, 950 Yates, said a rifle and 30 rounds of ammunition had been stolen from the fish boat Spay tied up at the Causeway float.

The Longshoremen's Hall, Dallas Road, was broken into, the mail box and office desk rifled, but nothing was missing, Norman Scott told police Sunday.

Theft of a watch from a bathroom window ledge at 1319 Vancouver was reported by Constable Arthur Bundock.

Mrs. C. Kerr, 684 Burnside, said the lock of her car in her basement had been tampered with.

**Kept Liquor for Sale, Chinese Fined \$300**  
 Choy Sang pleaded guilty in city court today to a charge of keeping liquor for sale at 530 Fisgard Street last Saturday. He paid a fine of \$300.

Magistrate H. C. Hall ordered confiscated seven 26-ounce bottles of rye and wine, 13-ounce bottles of rye, Scotch and gin and one other part bottle of wine.

Constable Angus Munro said that another constable in plain clothes had purchased for \$6 a 13-ounce bottle of whisky. The officer then searched the premises and found the liquor in a closet, he said.

**Caffery Funeral Held at Metchosis**  
 Funeral of the late Pte. Reginald F. Caffery of Victoria was held Sunday afternoon, with burial at Metchosis. The cortege, headed by cars carrying a party of the Royal Canadian Ordnance Corps, proceeded from McCall's to St. Mary's Church, Metchosis, where the Anglican service was conducted by Rev. H. M. Bolton. There was a large congregation which included relatives and friends from Victoria and many friends from Metchosis and the East Sooke district, where Pte. Caffery lived for years.

Burial was made beside the grave of Pte. Caffery's father, the late Pte. Frank Caffery, who served overseas in the 72nd Battalion in the First World War.

Capt. Warburton, an officer of the R.C.O.C. unit at Prince Rupert of which Pte. Caffery was a member, attended the last rites. The pallbearers and the 12 men of the firing party in charge of Sgt. B. Drysdale, were all members of R.C.O.C. unit here in which Pte. Caffery enlisted and in which he served before going north. Sgt. Drysdale also sounded the Last Post and Reveille.

Sgt. Maj. J. Sheppard of No. 5 Camp also attended.

The pallbearers were Ptes. A. E. Freeman, W. Curley, B. V. Burns, F. G. Turner, A. A. Buchard and E. A. Raknerud.

Pte. Caffery, in his 21st year, lost his life Monday of last week while on duty in Prince Rupert.

**Civil Defence**  
 St. Louis Post will resume lectures and practices Tuesday at 8. A new series of lectures on blitz first aid will commence under the direction of C. S. Crosby, first aid instructor.

Victoria District No. 11—Meeting in the Margaret Jenkins School Tuesday at 8. Blood group tests will be made.

Appointment of Ald. J. A. Worthington as city representative on the W.C.T.U. Home was recommended by Mayor Andrew McGavin to the City Council today.

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## New Manager Here For Robert House

New manager at Prince Robert House, H. C. Stafford, took over today from S. F. Gray.

Mr. Stafford, who managed the Royal Windsor apartment hotel in Windsor, was brought to Victoria by the Navy League to take charge at Prince Robert House because of his experience with naval personnel. During the Great War he served with

the Royal Navy as a signalman. He was born in England and since coming to Canada in 1926 has lived at Windsor.

He was accompanied to Victoria by Mrs. Stafford. At present they are staying with Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Mellor, 2795 Dufferin Street.

## Scant Chance Now Of Rate Reduction

Conditions existing at the present time make it inopportune to alter the basic rate structure for light and power, H. W. Mellish, acting secretary of the provincial Public Utilities Commission, informed the City Clerk by letter today.

The communication was a reply and acknowledgement to the city's request for an immediate reduction in rates.

"I am directed to advise that the representations made in your letter of March 14, 1941, and later by representatives of the city at public hearings are still before the commission," the Mellish communication said in part. "As explained in the reports of the commission, copies of which have been forwarded to the representatives of the City of Victoria, the conditions existing at the present time make it inopportune to alter the basic rate structure."

"Further, I am directed to point out that temporary relief of a substantial character has been given, and further action will be taken in the future, at the time and in the manner which best conserves the public interest, and which is just and reasonable to all parties concerned."

"The control over rates by the Public Utilities Commission is continuous and changing factors in the situation are continually under review. In giving further consideration to this matter, the opinion of the Victoria City Council, as expressed in your letter, and the application made by you on their behalf, will have the attention of the commission," the letter ended.

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